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The text presents a compilation of three recently reauthorized Federal laws providing services to persons with disabilities: the Education of the Handicapped Act (amended by the 98th Congress through Pubic Law 98-199); the Rehabiliation Act of 1973 (amended by the 98th Congress through Public Law 98-221), and the Developmental Disabilities Act of 1984 (Public Law 98-527). The Education of the Handicapped Act includes the following sections: general provisions, assistance for education of all handicapped children, centers and services to meet special needs of the handicapped, training personnel for the education of the handicapped, research in the education of the handicapped, instructional media for the handicapped. The Rehabilitation Act as amended in 1975 contains the following seven titles: (1) vocational rehabilitation services, (2) research and training, (3) supplementary services and facilities, (4) national council on the handicapped, (5) miscellaneous, (6) employment opportunities for handicapped individuals, and (7) comprehensive services for independent living. The Developmental Disabilities Act of 1984 contains sections on general provisions, federal assistance for planning and service activities for persons with developmental disabilities, protection and advocacy of individual rights, university affiliated facilities, and special project grants. (CL)

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FOREWORD

This volume is an important contribution to further citizens' understanding of our committee's work to legislatively assist disabled Americans. Included in this compilation of Federal laws are the Education of the Handicapped Act, as amended in the 98th Congress by Public Law 98–199; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended in the 98th Congress by Public Law 98–221; and the Developmental Disabilities Act of 1984 (Public Law 98–527).

This compilation was requested by Senator Lowell Weicker, Jr., Chairman of the Subcommittee on the Handicapped, for the use of members of the Subcommittee, the full Committee, their staffs, and all citizens who are concerned about Federal laws affecting the disabled citizens of our Nation.

Sincerely,

ORRIN G. HATCH,
Chairman, Committee on Labor
and Human Resources.

LETTER OF REQUEST

MARCH 14, 1985.

Senator ORRIN G. HATCH,
Chairman, Committee on Labor and Human Resources, Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC.

DEAR SENATOR HATCH: I would like to request the printing of a compilation of three recently reauthorized Federal laws which provide services to the disabled citizens of our Nation: The Education of the Handicapped Act (amended by the 98th Congress through Public Law 98-199); the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (amended by the 98th Congress through Public Law 98-221); and the Developmental Disabilities Act of 1984 (Public Law 98-527).

This compilation will be useful to members of the Committee, their staffs, and to all citizens who are concerned about Federal laws which impact disabled citizens.

Sincerely,

LOWELL WEICKER, Jr., *Chairman,*
Subcommittee on the Handicapped.

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PART I—EDUCATION OF THE HANDICAPPED ACT [1]
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PART A—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SHORT TITLE; STATEMENT OF FINDINGS AND PURPOSE

SEC. 601. (a) This title may be cited as the "Education of the Handicapped Act".

(b) The Congress finds that—

(1) there are more than eight million handicapped children in the United States today;

(2) the special educational needs of such children are not being fully met;

(3) more than half of the handicapped children in the United States do not receive appropriate educational services which would enable them to have full equality of opportunity;

(4) one million of the handicapped children in the United States are excluded entirely from the public school system and will not go through the educational process with their peers;

(5) there are many handicapped children throughout the United States participating in regular school programs whose handicaps prevent them from having a successful educational experience because their handicaps are undetected;

(6) because of the lack of adequate services within the public school system, families are often forced to find services outside the public school system, often at great distance from their residence and at their own expense;

(7) developments in the training of teachers and in diagnostic and instructional procedures and methods have advanced to the point that, given appropriate funding, State and local educational agencies can and will provide effective special education and related services to meet the needs of handicapped children;

(8) State and local educational agencies have a responsibility to provide education for all handicapped children, but present financial resources are inadequate to meet the special educational needs of handicapped children; and

(9) it is in the national interest that the Federal Government assist State and local efforts to provide programs to meet the educational needs of handicapped children in order to assure equal protection of the law.

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[1] Public Law 89–750 amended the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 by adding a new title VI; effective July 1, 1971, this Act (P.L. 91–230) replaced title VI. Also as of July 1, 1971, the Education of the Handicapped Act superseded the following: P.L. 90–538, Handicapped Children's Early Education Assistance Act; P.L. 85–926, Grants for Teaching in the Education of Handicapped Children; P.L. 88–164, titles III and V of the Mental Retardation Facilities and Community Mental Centers Construction Act of 1963; and P.L. 85–905, Instructional Media for Handicapped Children.

(c) It is the purpose of this Act to assure that all handicapped children have available to them, within the time periods specified in section 612(2)(B), a free appropriate public education which emphasizes special education and related services designed to meet their unique needs, to assure that the rights of handicapped children and their parents or guardians are protected, to assist States and localities to provide for the education of all handicapped children, and to assess and assure the effectiveness of efforts to educate handicapped children.

(20 U.S.C. 1401) Enacted November 29, 1975 P.L. 94-142, sec. 3, 89 Stat. 774, 775.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 602. (a) As used in this title—

(1) The term "handicapped children" means mentally retarded, hard of hearing, deaf, speech or language impaired, visually handicapped, seriously emotionally disturbed, orthopedically impaired, or other health impaired children or children with specific learning disabilities who by reason thereof require special education and related services.

(2)[1]

(3) The term "Advisory Committee" means the National Advisory Committee on the Education of Handicapped Children.

(4) The term "construction", except where otherwise specified, means (A) erection of new or expansion of existing structures, and the acquisition and installation of equipment therefor; or (B) acquisition of existing structures not owned by any agency or institution making application for assistance under this title; or (C) remodeling or alteration (including the acquisition, installation, modernization, or replacement of equipment) of existing structures; or (D) acquisition of land in connection with the activities in clauses (A), (B), and (C); or (E) a combination of any two or more of the foregoing.

(5) The term "equipment" includes machinery, utilities, and built-in equipment and any necessary enclosures or structures to house them, and includes all other items necessary for the functioning of a particular facility as a facility for the provision of educational services, including items such as instructional equipment and necessary furniture, printed, published, and audio-visual instructional materials, telecommunications, sensory, and other technological aids and devices, and books, periodicals, documents, and other related materials.

(6) The term "State" means any of the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

(7) The term "State educational agency" means the State board of education or other agency or officer primarily responsible for the State supervision of public elementary and secondary schools, or, if there is no such officer or agency, an officer or agency designated by the Governor or by State law.

(8) The term "local educational agency" means a public board of education or other public authority legally constituted within a

[1] P.L. 98-199, sec. 2(2), repealed this paragraph which defined the term "Commissioner". That law further amended this Act by replacing all references to "Commissioner" or "Commissioner's" with "Secretary" or "Secretary's", respectively. (97 Stat. 1358)

State for either administrative control or direction of, or to perform a service function for public elementary or secondary schools in a city, county, township, school district, or other political subdivision of a State, or such combination of school districts or counties as are recognized in a State as an administrative agency for its public elementary or secondary schools. Such term also includes any other public institution or agency having administrative control and direction of a public elementary or secondary school.

(9) The term "elementary school" means a day or residential school which provides elementary education, as determined under State law.

(10) The term "secondary school" means a day or residential school which provides secondary education, as determined under State law, except that it does not include any education provided beyond grade 12.

(11) The term "institution of higher education" means an educational institution in any State which—

(A) admits as regular students only individuals having a certificate of graduation from a high school, or the recognized equivalent of such a certificate;

(B) is legally authorized within such State to provide a program of education beyond high school;

(C) provides an educational program for which it awards a bachelor's degree, or provides not less than a two-year program which is acceptable for full credit toward such a degree, or offers a two-year program in engineering, mathematics, or the physical or biological sciences which is designed to prepare the student to work as a technician and at a semiprofessional level in engineering, scientific, or other technological fields which require the understanding and application of basic engineering, scientific, or mathematical principles or knowledge;

(D) is a public or other nonprofit institution; and

(E) is accredited by a nationally recognized accrediting agency or association listed by the Secretary pursuant to this paragraph or, if not so accredited, is an institution whose credits are accepted, on transfer, by not less than three institutions which are so accredited, for credit on the same basis as if transferred from an institution so accredited: *Provided, however,* That in the case of an institution offering a two-year program in engineering, mathematics, or the physical or biological sciences which is designed to prepare the student to work as a technician and at a semiprofessional level in engineering, scientific, or technological fields which require the understanding and application of basic engineering, scientific, or mathematical principles or knowledge, if the Secretary determines that there is no nationally recognized accrediting agency or association qualified to accredit such institutions, he shall appoint an advisory committee, composed of persons specially qualified to evaluate training provided by such institutions, which shall prescribe the standards of content, scope, and quality which must be met in order to qualify such institutions to participate under this Act and shall also determine whether particular institutions meet such standards. For the purposes of this paragraph the Secretary shall publish a list of nationally recognized accrediting agencies or associations which he determines

to be reliable authority as to the quality of education or training offered.

(12) The term "nonprofit" as applied to a school, agency, organization, or institution means a school, agency, organization, or institution owned and operated by one or more nonprofit corporations or associations no part of the net earnings of which inures, or may lawfully inure, to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.

(13) The term "research and related purposes" means research, research training (including the payment of stipends and allowances), surveys, or demonstrations in the field of education of handicapped children, or the dissemination of information derived therefrom, including (but without limitation) experimental schools.

(14) The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of Education.

(15) The term "children with specific learning disabilities" means those children who have a disorder in one or more of the basic psychological processes involved in understanding or in using language, spoken or written, which disorder may manifest itself in imperfect ability to listen, think, speak, read, write, spell, or do mathematical calculations. Such disorders include such conditions as perceptual handicaps, brain injury, minimal brain disfunction, dyslexia, and developmental aphasia. Such term does not include children who have learning problems which are primarily the result of visual, hearing, or motor handicaps, of mental retardation, of emotional disturbance, or of environmental, cultural, or economic disadvantage.

(16) The term "special education" means specially designed instruction, at no cost to parents or guardians, to meet the unique needs of a handicapped child, including classroom instruction, instruction in physical education, home instruction, and instruction in hospitals and institutions.

(17) The term "related services" means transportation, and such developmental, corrective, and other supportive services (including speech pathology and audiology, psychological services, physical and occupational therapy, recreation, and medical and counseling services, except that such medical services shall be for diagnostic and evaluation purposes only) as may be required to assist a handicapped child to benefit from special education, and includes the early identification and assessment of handicapping conditions in children.

(18) The term "free appropriate public education" means special education and related services which (A) have been provided at public expense, under public supervision and direction, and without charge, (B) meet the standards of the State educational agency, (C) include an appropriate preschool, elementary, or secondary school education in the State involved, and (D) are provided in conformity with the individualized education program required under section 614(a)(5).

(19) The term "individualized education program" means a written statement for each handicapped child developed in any meeting by a representative of the local educational agency or an intermediate educational unit who shall be qualified to provide, or supervise the provision of, specially designed instruction to meet the unique needs of handicapped children, the teacher, the parents or guardian of such child, and, whenever appropriate, such child,

which statement shall include (A) a statement of the present levels of educational performance of such child, (B) a statement of annual goals, including short-term instructional objectives, (C) a statement of the specific educational services to be provided to such child, and the extent to which such child will be able to participate in regular educational programs, (D) the projected date for initiation and anticipated duration of such services, and (E) appropriate objective criteria and evaluation procedures and schedules for determining, on at least an annual basis, whether instructional objectives are being achieved.

(20) The term "excess costs" means those costs which are in excess of the average annual per student expenditure in a local educational agency during the preceding school year for an elementary or secondary school student, as may be appropriate, and which shall be computed after deducting (A) amounts received under this part or under title I or title VII of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, and (B) any State or local funds expended for programs which would qualify for assistance under this part or under such titles.

(21) The term "native language" has the meaning given that term by section 703(a)(2) of the Bilingual Education Act (20 U.S.C. 880b–1(a)(2)).

(22) The term "intermediate educational unit" means any public authority, other than a local educational agency, which is under the general supervision of a State educational agency, which is established by State law for the purpose of providing free public education on a regional basis, and which provides special education and related services to handicapped children within that State.

(b) For purposes of part C of this title, "handicapped youth" means any handicapped child (as defined in section 602(a)(1)) who—

(1) is twelve years of age or older; or

(2) is enrolled in the seventh or higher grade in school.

(20 U.S.C. 1401) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 602, 84 Stat. 175, amended November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 4(a), 89 Stat. 775, 776; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 2, 97 Stat. 1357.

OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

SEC. 603. (a) There shall be, within the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services in the Department of Education, an Office of Special Education Programs which shall be the principal agency in the Department for administering and carrying out this Act and other programs and activities concerning the education and training of the handicapped.

(b)(1) The Office established under subsection (a) shall be headed by a Deputy Assistant Secretary who shall be selected by the Secretary and shall report directly to the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services. The position of Deputy Assistant Secretary shall be in grade GS–18 of the General Schedule under section 5104 of title 5, United States Code, and shall be a Senior Executive Service position for the purposes of section 3132(a)(2) of such title.

(2) In addition to such Deputy Assistant Secretary, there shall be established in such office not less than six positions for persons to assist the Deputy Assistant Secretary, including the position of As-

sociate Deputy Assistant Secretary. Each such position shall be in grade GS–15 of the General Schedule under section 5104 of title 5, United States Code.

(20 U.S.C. 1402) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 603, 84 Stat. 177; amended August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 612(a), 88 Stat. 579, 580; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 3(a), 97 Stat. 1359.

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE EDUCATION OF HANDICAPPED CHILDREN AND YOUTH

SEC. 604. (a) The Secretary shall establish in the Department of Education a National Advisory Committee on the Education of Handicapped Children and Youth, consisting of fifteen members, appointed by the Secretary. Not less than five such members shall be parents of handicapped children and the remainder shall be handicapped persons (including students), persons affiliated with education, training, or research programs for the handicapped, and those having demonstrated a commitment to the education of handicapped children.

(b) The Advisory Committee shall review the administration and operation of the programs authorized by this Act and other provisions of law administered by the Secretary with respect to handicapped children (including the effect of such programs in improving the educational attainment of such children) and make recommendations for the improvement of such programs. Such recommendations shall take into consideration experience gained under this and other Federal programs for handicapped children and, to the extent appropriate, experience gained under other public and private programs for handicapped children. The Advisory Committee may make such recommendations to the Secretary as the Committee considers appropriate and shall make an annual report of its findings and recommendations to the Secretary not later than June 30 of each year. The Secretary shall transmit each such report, together with comments and recommendations, to the Congress.

(c) There are authorized to be appropriated for the purposes of this section $200,000 for fiscal year 1984, and for each of the two succeeding fiscal years.

(20 U.S.C. 1403) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 604, 84 Stat. 177; amended August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 613, 88 Stat 580; amended April 21, 1976, P.L. 94-273, sec. 3(14), 90 Stat. 376; P.L. 94-273, sec. 13(2), 90 Stat. 378; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 4, 97 Stat. 1358.

ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF NECESSARY FACILITIES

SEC. 605. (a) In the case of any program authorized by this title, if the Secretary determines that such program will be improved by permitting the funds authorized for such program to be used for the acquisition of equipment and the construction of necessary facilities, he may authorize the use of such funds for such purposes.

(b) If within twenty years after the completion of any construction (except minor remodeling or alteration) for which funds have been paid pursuant to a grant or contract under this title the facility constructed ceases to be used for the purposes for which it was constructed, the United States, unless the Secretary determines

that there is good cause for releasing the recipient of the funds from its obligation, shall be entitled to recover from the applicant or other owner of the facility an amount which bears the same ratio to the then value of the facility as the amount of such Federal funds bore to the cost of the portion of the facility financed with such funds. Such value shall be determined by agreement of the parties or by action brought in the United States district court for the district in which the facility is situated.

(20 U.S.C. 1404) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 605, 84 Stat. 177.

EMPLOYMENT OF HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

SEC. 606. The Secretary shall assure that each recipient of assistance under this Act shall make positive efforts to employ and advance in employment qualified handicapped individuals in programs assisted under this Act.

(20 U.S.C. 1405) Enacted November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 6(a), 89 Stat. 795.

GRANTS FOR THE REMOVAL OF ARCHITECTURAL BARRIERS

SEC. 607. (a) The Secretary is authorized to make grants and to enter into cooperative agreements with State educational agencies to assist such agencies in making grants to local educational agencies or intermediate educational units to pay part or all of the cost of altering existing buildings and equipment in accordance with standards promulgated under the Act approved August 12, 1968 (Public Law 90-480), relating to architectural barriers.

(b) For the purposes of carrying out the provisions of this section, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary.

(20 U.S.C. 1406) Enacted November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 6(a), 89 Stat. 795; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 5, 97 Stat. 1358.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS

SEC. 608. (a) For purposes of complying with section 431(b) of the General Education Provisions Act with respect to regulations promulgated under part B of this Act, the thirty-day period under such section shall be ninety days.

(b) The Secretary may not implement, or publish in final form, any regulation prescribed pursuant to this Act which would procedurally or substantively lessen the protections provided to handicapped children under this Act, as embodied in regulations in effect on July 20, 1983 (particularly as such protections relate to parental consent to initial evaluation or initial placement in special education, least restrictive environment, related services, timelines, attendance of evaluation personnel at IEP meetings, or qualifications of personnel), except to the extent that such regulation reflects the clear and unequivocal intent of the Congress in legislation.

(c) The Secretary shall transmit a copy of any regulations promulgated under this Act to the National Advisory Committee on the Education of the Handicapped concurrently with publication in the Federal Register.

(20 U.S.C. 1407) Enacted December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 6, 97 Stat. 1359.

PART B—ASSISTANCE FOR EDUCATION OF ALL HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

SETTLEMENTS AND ALLOCATIONS

SEC. 611. (a)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (3) and in section 619, the maximum amount of the grant to which a State is entitled under this part for any fiscal year shall be equal to—

(A) the number of handicapped children aged three to twenty-one, inclusive, in such State who are receiving special education and related services;

multiplied by—

(B)(i) 5 per centum, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978, of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States;

(ii) 10 per centum, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1979, of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States;

(iii) 20 per centum, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1980, of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States;

(iv) 30 per centum, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1981, of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States; and

(v) 40 per centum, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1982, and for each fiscal year thereafter, of the average per pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools in the United States;

except that no State shall receive an amount which is less than the amount which such State received under this part for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977.

(2) For the purpose of this subsection and subsection (b) through subsection (e), the term "State" does not include Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

(3) The number of handicapped children receiving special education and related services in any fiscal year shall be equal to the average of the number of such children receiving special education and related services on October 1 and February 1 of the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the determination is made.

(4) For purposes of paragraph (1)(B), the term "average per pupil expenditure", in the United States, means the aggregate current expenditures, during the second fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the computation is made (or, if satisfactory data for such year are not available at the time of computation, then during the most recent preceding fiscal year for which satisfactory data are available) of all local educational agencies in the United States (which, for purposes of this subsection, means the fifty States and the District of Columbia), as the case may be, plus any direct expenditures by the State for operation of such agencies (without regard to the source of funds from which either of such expenditures are made), divided by the aggregate number of children in av-

erage daily attendance to whom such agencies provided free public education during such preceding year.

(5)(A) In determining the allotment of each State under paragraph (1), the Secretary may not count—

(i) handicapped children in such State under paragraph (1)(A) to the extent the number of such children is greater than 12 per centum of the number of all children aged five to seventeen, inclusive, in such State; and

(ii) handicapped children who are counted under section 121 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

(B) For purposes of subparagraph (A), the number of children aged five to seventeen, inclusive, in any State shall be determined by the Secretary on the basis of the most recent satisfactory data available to him.

(b)(1) Of the funds received under subsection (a) by any State for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978—

(A) 50 per centum of such funds may be used by such State in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2); and

(B) 50 per centum of such funds shall be distributed by such State pursuant to subsection (d) to local educational agencies and intermediate educational units in such State, for use in accordance with the priorities established under section 612(3).

(2) Of the funds which any State may use under paragraph (1)(A)—

(A) an amount which is equal to the greater of—

(i) 5 per centum of the total amount of funds received under this part by such State; or

(ii) $200,000;

may be used by such State for administrative costs related to carrying out sections 612 and 613;

(B) the remainder shall be used by such State to provide support services and direct services in accordance with the priorities established under section 612(3).

(c)(1) Of the funds received under subsection (a) by any State for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1979, and for each fiscal year thereafter—

(A) 25 per centum of such funds may be used by such State in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2); and

(B) except as provided in paragraph (3),[1] 75 per centum of such funds shall be distributed by such State pursuant to subsection (d) to local educational agencies and intermediate educational units in such State, for use in accordance with priorities established under section 612(3).

(2)(A) Subject to the provisions of subparagraph (B), of the funds which any State may use under paragraph (1)(A)—

(i) an amount which is equal to the greater of—

(I) 5 per centum of the total amount of funds received under this part by such State; or

(II) $300,000;

may be used by such State for administrative costs related to carrying out the provisions of sections 612 and 613; and

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[1] Apparent error. Should read: "(B) except as provided in paragraph (4) . . . "

(ii) the remainder shall be used by such State to provide support services and direct services, in accordance with the priorities established under section 612(3).

(B) The amount expended by any State from the funds available to such State under paragraph (1)(A) in any fiscal year for the provision of support services or for the provision of direct services shall be matched on a program basis by such State, from funds other than Federal funds, for the provision of support services or for the provision of direct services for the fiscal year involved.

(3) The provisions of section 613(a)(9) shall not apply with respect to amounts available for use by any State under paragraph (2).

(4)(A) No funds shall be distributed by any State under this subsection in any fiscal year to any local educational agency or intermediate educational unit in such State if—

(i) such local educational agency or intermediate educational unit is entitled, under subsection (d), to less than $7,500 for such fiscal year; or

(ii) such local educational agency or intermediate educational unit has not submitted an application for such funds which meets the requirements of section 614.

(B) Whenever the provisions of subparagraph (A) apply, the State involved shall use such funds to assure the provision of a free appropriate education to handicapped children residing in the area served by such local educational agency or such intermediate educational unit. The provisions of paragraph (2)(B) shall not apply to the use of such funds.

(d) From the total amount of funds available to local educational agencies and intermediate educational units in any State under subsection (b)(1)(B) or subsection (c)(1)(B), as the case may be, each local educational agency or intermediate educational unit shall be entitled to an amount which bears the same ratio to the total amount available under subsection (b)(1)(B) or subsection (c)(1)(B), as the case may be, as the number of handicapped children aged three to twenty-one, inclusive, receiving special education and related services in such local educational agency or intermediate educational unit bears to the aggregate number of handicapped children aged three to twenty-one, inclusive, receiving special education and related services in all local educational agencies and intermediate educational units which apply to the State educational agency involved for funds under this part.

(e)(1) The jurisdictions to which this subsection applies are Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

(2) Each jurisdiction to which this subsection applies shall be entitled to a grant for the purposes set forth in section 601(c) in an amount equal to an amount determined by the Secretary in accordance with criteria based on respective needs, except that the aggregate of the amount to which such jurisdictions are so entitled for any fiscal year shall not exceed an amount equal to 1 per centum of the aggregate of the amounts available to all States under this part for that fiscal year. If the aggregate of the amounts, determined by the Secretary pursuant to the preceding sentence, to be so needed for any fiscal year exceeds an amount equal to such 1 per centum limitation, the entitlement of each such jurisdiction

shall be reduced proportionately until such aggregate does not exceed such 1 per centum limitation.

(3) The amount expended for administration by each jurisdiction under this subsection shall not exceed 5 per centum of the amount allotted to such jurisdiction for any fiscal year, or $35,000, whichever is greater.

(f)(1) The Secretary is authorized to make payments to the Secretary of the Interior according to the need for such assistance for the education of handicapped children on reservations serviced by elementary and secondary schools operated for Indian children by the Department of the Interior. The amount of such payment for any fiscal year shall not exceed 1 per centum of the aggregate amounts available to all States under this part for that fiscal year.

(2) The Secretary of the Interior may receive an allotment under this subsection only after submitting to the Secretary an application which meets the applicable requirements of section 614(a) and which is approved by the Secretary. The provisions of section 616 shall apply to any such application.

(g)(1) If the sums appropriated for any fiscal year for making payments to States under this part are not sufficient to pay in full the total amounts which all States are entitled to receive under this part for such fiscal year, the maximum amounts which all States are entitled to receive under this part for such fiscal year shall be ratably reduced. In case additional funds become available for making such payments for any fiscal year during which the preceding sentence is applicable, such reduced amounts shall be increased on the same basis as they were reduced.

(2) In the case of any fiscal year in which the maximum amounts for which States are eligible have been reduced under the first sentence of paragraph (1), and in which additional funds have not been made available to pay in full the total of such maximum amounts under the last sentence of such paragraph, the State educational agency shall fix dates before which each local educational agency or intermediate educational unit shall report to the State educational agency on the amount of funds available to the local educational agency or intermediate educational unit, under the provisions of subsection (d), which it estimates that it will expend in accordance with the provisions of this part. The amounts so available to any local educational agency or intermediate educational unit, or any amount which would be available to any other local educational agency or intermediate educational unit if it were to submit a program meeting the requirements of this part, which the State educational agency determines will not be used for the period of its availability, shall be available for allocation to those local educational agencies or intermediate educational units, in the manner provided by this section, which the State educational agency determines will need and be able to use additional funds to carry out approved programs.

(20 U.S.C. 1411) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 611, 84 Stat. 178; amended August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 614(a), 88 Stat. 580, 581; amended November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 5(a), 89 Stat. 776, 777, 778, 779, 780; amended June 14, 1980, P.L. 96-270, sec. 13, 94 Stat. 498; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 15, 97 Stat. 1374.

ELIGIBILITY

SEC. 612. In order to qualify for assistance under this part in any fiscal year, a State shall demonstrate to the Secretary that the following conditions are met:

(1) The State has in effect a policy that assures all handicapped children the right to a free appropriate public education.

(2) The State has developed a plan pursuant to section 613(b) in effect prior to the date of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975 and submitted not later than August 21, 1975, which will be amended so as to comply with the provisions of this paragraph. Each such amended plan shall set forth in detail the policies and procedures which the State will undertake or has undertaken in order to assure that—

(A) there is established (i) a goal of providing full educational opportunity to all handicapped children, (ii) a detailed timetable for accomplishing such a goal, and (iii) a description of the kind and number of facilities, personnel, and services necessary throughout the State to meet such a goal;

(B) a free appropriate public education will be available for all handicapped children between the ages of three and eighteen within the State not later than September 1, 1978, and for all handicapped children between the ages of three and twenty-one within the State not later than September 1, 1980, except that, with respect to handicapped children aged three to five and aged eighteen to twenty-one, inclusive, the requirements of this clause shall not be applied in any State if the application of such requirements would be inconsistent with State law or practice, or the order of any court, respecting public education within such age groups in the State;

(C) all children residing in the State who are handicapped, regardless of the severity of their handicap, and who are in need of special education and related services are identified, located, and evaluated, and that a practical method is developed and implemented to determine which children are currently receiving needed special education and related services and which children are not currently receiving needed special education and related services;

(D) policies and procedures are established in accordance with detailed criteria prescribed under section 617(c); and

(E) the amendment to the plan submitted by the State required by this section shall be available to parents, guardians, and other members of the general public at least thirty days prior to the date of submission of the amendment to the Commission.

(3) The State has established priorities for providing a free appropriate public education to all handicapped children, which priorities shall meet the timetables set forth in clause (B) of paragraph (2) of this section, first with respect to handicapped children who are not receiving and education, and second with respect to handicapped children, within each disability, with the most severe handicaps who are receiving an inadequate education, and has made adequate progress in meeting the timetables set forth in clause (B) of paragraph (2) of this section.

(4) Each local educational agency in the State will maintain records of the individualized education program for each handicapped child, and such program shall be established, reviewed, and revised as provided in section 614(a)(5).

(5) The State has established (A) procedural safeguards as required by section 615, (B) procedures to assure that, to the maximum extent appropriate, handicapped children, including children in public or private institutions or other care facilities, are educated with children who are not handicapped, and that special classes, separate schooling, or other removal of handicapped children from the regular educational environment occurs only when the nature or severity of the handicap is such that education in regular classes with the use of supplementary aids and services cannot be achieved satisfactorily, and (C) procedures to assure that testing and evaluation materials and procedures utilized for the purposes of evaluation and placement of handicapped children will be selected and administered so as not to be racially or culturally discriminatory. Such materials or procedures shall be provided and administered in the child's native language or mode of communication, unless it clearly is not feasible to do so, and no single procedure shall be the sole criterion for determining an appropriate educational program for a child.

(6) The State educational agency shall be responsible for assuring that the requirements of this part are carried out and that all educational programs for handicapped children with the State, including all such programs administered by any other State or local agency, will be under the general supervision of the persons responsible for educational programs for handicapped children in the State educational agency and shall meet educational standards of the State educational agency.

(7) The State shall assure that (A) in carrying out the requirements of this section procedures are established for consultation with individuals involved in or concerned with the education of handicapped children, including handicapped individuals and parents or guardians of handicapped children, and (B) there are public hearings, adequate notice of such hearings, and an opportunity for comment available to the general public prior to adoption of the policies, programs, and procedures required pursuant to the provisions of this section and section 613.

(20 U.S.C. 1412) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 612, 84 Stat. 178; amended June 23, 1972, P.L. 92-318, sec. 421(b)(1)(C), 86 Stat. 341; amended August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 614(b)(1), 88 Stat. 582; amended November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 5(a), 89 Stat. 780, 781, 782.

STATE PLANS

SEC. 613. (a) Any State meeting the eligibility requirements set forth in section 612 and desiring to participate in the program under this part shall submit to the Secretary, through its State educational agency, a State plan at such time, in such manner, and containing or accompanied by such information, as he deems necessary. Each such plan shall—

(1) set forth policies and procedures designed to assure that funds paid to the State under this part will be expended in accordance with the provisions of this part, with particular atten-

tion given to the provisions of sections 611(b), 611(c), 611(d), 612(2), and 612(3);

(2) provide that programs and procedures will be established to assure that funds received by the State or any of its political subdivisions under any other Federal program, including section 121 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 241c-2), section 305(b)(8) of such Act (20 U.S.C. 844a(b)(8)) or its successor authority, and section 122(a)(4)(B) of the Vocational Education Act of 1963 (20 U.S.C. 1262(a)(4)(B)), under which there is specific authority for the provision of assistance for the education of handicapped children, will be utilized by the State, or any of its political subdivisions, only in a manner consistent with the goal of providing a free appropriate public education for all handicapped children, except that nothing in this clause shall be construed to limit the specific requirements of the laws governing such Federal programs;

(3) set forth, consistent with the purposes of this Act, a description of programs and procedures for (A) the development and implementation of a comprehensive system of personnel development which shall include the inservice training of general and special educational instructional and support personnel, detailed procedures to assure that all personnel necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act are appropriately and adequately prepared and trained, and effective procedures for acquiring and disseminating to teachers and administrators of programs for handicapped children significant information derived from educational research, demonstration, and similar projects, and (B) adopting, where appropriate, promising educational practices and materials development through such projects;

(4) set forth policies and procedures to assure—

(A) that, to the extent consistent with the number and location of handicapped children in the State who are enrolled in private elementary and secondary schools, provision is made for the participation of such children in the program assisted or carried out under this part by providing for such children special education and related services; and

(B) that (i) handicapped children in private schools and facilities will be provided special education and related services (in conformance with an individualized educational program as required by this part) at no cost to their parents or guardian, if such children are placed in or referred to such schools or facilities by the State or appropriate local educational agency as the means of carrying out the requirements of this part or any other applicable law requiring the provision of special education and related services to all handicapped children within such State, and (ii) in all such instances the State educational agency shall determine whether such schools and facilities meet standards that apply to State and local educational agencies and that children so served have all the rights they would have if served by such agencies;

(5) set forth policies and procedures which assure that the State shall seek to recover any funds made available under

this part for services to any child who is determined to be erroneously classified as eligible to be counted under section 611(a) or section 611(d);

(6) provide satisfactory assurance that the control of funds provided under this part, and title to property derived therefrom, shall be in a public agency for the uses and purposes provided in this part, and that a public agency will administer such funds and property;

(7) provide for (A) making such reports in such form and containing such information as the Secretary may require to carry out his functions under this part, and (B) keeping such records and affording such access thereto as the Secretary may find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports and proper disbursement of Federal funds under this part;

(8) provide procedures to assure that final action with respect to any application submitted by a local educational agency or an intermediate educational unit shall not be taken without first affording the local educational agency or intermediate educational unit involved reasonable notice and opportunity for a hearing;

(9) provide satisfactory assurance that Federal funds made available under this part (A) will not be commingled with State funds, and (B) will be so used as to supplement and increase the level of State and local funds expended for the education of handicapped children and in no case to supplant such State and local funds, except that, where the State provides clear and convincing evidence that all handicapped children have available to them a free appropriate public education, the Secretary may waive in part the requirement of this clause if he concurs with the evidence provided by the State;

(10) provide, consistent with procedures prescribed pursuant to section 617(a)(2), satisfactory assurance that such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures will be adopted as may be necessary to assure proper disbursement of, and accounting for, Federal funds paid under this part to the State, including any such funds paid by the State to local educational agencies and intermediate educational units;

(11) provide for procedures for evaluation at least annually of the effectiveness of programs in meeting the educational needs of handicapped children (including evaluation of individualized education programs), in accordance with such criteria that the Secretary shall prescribe pursuant to section 617; and

(12) provide that the State has an advisory panel, appointed by the Governor or any other official authorized under State law to make such appointments, composed of individuals involved in or concerned with the education of handicapped children, including handicapped individuals, teachers, parents or guardians of handicapped children, State and local education officials, and administrators of programs for handicapped children, which (A) advises the State educational agency of unmet needs within the State in the education of handicapped children, (B) comments publicly on any rules or regulations proposed for issuance by the State regarding the education of handicapped children and the procedures for distribution of

funds under this part, and (C) assists the State in developing and reporting such data and evaluations as may assist the Secretary in the performance of his responsibilities under section 618.

(b) Whenever a State educational agency provides free appropriate public education for handicapped children, or provides direct services to such children, such State educational agency shall include, as part of the State plan required by subsection (a) of this section, such additional assurances not specified in such subsection (a) as are contained in section 614(a), except that funds available for the provision of such education or services may be expended without regard to the provisions relating to excess costs in section 614(a).

(c) The Secretary shall approve any State plan and any modification thereof which—

(1) is submitted by a State eligible in accordance with section 612; and

(2) meets the requirements of subsection (a) and subsection (b).

The Secretary shall disapprove any State plan which does not meet the requirements of the preceding sentence, but shall not finally disapprove a State plan except after reasonable notice and opportunity for a hearing to the State.

(d)(1) If, on the date of enactment of the Education of the Handicapped Act Amendments of 1983, a State educational agency is prohibited by law from providing for the participation in special programs of handicapped children enrolled in private elementary and secondary schools as required by subsection (a)(4), the Secretary shall waive such requirement, and shall arrange for the provision of service to such children through arrangements which shall be subject to the requirements of subsection (a)(4).

(2)(A) When the Secretary arranges for services pursuant to this subsection, the Secretary, after consultation with the appropriate public and private school officials, shall pay to the provider of such services an amount per child which may not exceed the Federal amount provided per child under this part to all handicapped children enrolled in the State for services for the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which the determination is made.

(B) Pending final resolution of any investigation or complaint that could result in a determination under this subsection, the Secretary may withhold from the allocation of the affected State educational agency the amount the Secretary estimates would be necessary to pay the cost of such services.

(C) Any determination by the Secretary under this section shall continue in effect until the Secretary determines that there will no longer be any failure or inability on the part of the State educational agency to meet the requirements of subsection (a)(4).

(3)(A) The Secretary shall not take any final action under this subsection until the State educational agency affected by such action has had an opportunity, for at least 45 days after receiving written notice thereof, to submit written objections and to appear before the Secretary or his designee to show cause why such action should not be taken.

(B) If a State educational agency is dissatisfied with the Secretary's final action after a proceeding under subparagraph (A) of

this paragraph, it may, within 60 days after notice of such action, file with the United States court of appeals for the circuit in which such State is located a petition for review of that action. A copy of the petition shall be forthwith transmitted by the clerk of the court to the Secretary. The Secretary thereupon shall file in the court the record of the proceedings on which he based his action, as provided in section 2112 of title 28, United States Code.

(C) The findings of fact by the Secretary, if supported by substantial evidence, shall be conclusive; but the court, for good cause shown, may remand the case to the Secretary to take further evidence, and the Secretary may thereupon make new or modified findings of fact and may modify his previous action, and shall file in the court the record of the further proceedings. Such new or modified findings of fact shall likewise be conclusive if supported by substantial evidence.

(D) Upon the filing of a petition under subparagraph (B), the court shall have jurisdiction to affirm the action of the Secretary or to set it aside, in whole or in part. The judgment of the court shall be subject to review by the Supreme Court of the United States upon certiorari or certification as provided in section 1254 of title 28, United States Code.

(20 U.S.C. 1413) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 613, 84 Stat. 179; amended August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 614(d), 88 Stat. 581, 582; amended November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 5(a), 89 Stat. 782, 783, 784; ; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 7, 97 Stat. 1359.

APPLICATION

SEC. 614. (a) A local educational agency or an intermediate educational unit which desires to receive payments under section 611(d) for any fiscal year shall submit an application to the appropriate State educational agency. Such application shall—

(1) provide satisfactory assurance that payments under this part will be used for excess costs directly attributable to programs which—

(A) provide that all children residing within the jurisdiction of the local educational agency or the intermediate educational unit who are handicapped, regardless of the severity of their handicap, and are in need of special education and related services will be identified, located, and evaluated, and provide for the inclusion of a practical method of determining which children are currently receiving needed special education and related services and which children are not currently receiving such education and services;

(B) establish policies and procedures in accordance with detailed criteria prescribed under section 617(c);

(C) establish a goal of providing full educational opportunities to all handicapped children, including—

(i) procedures for the implementation and use of the comprehensive system of personnel development established by the State educational agency under section 613(a)(3);

(ii) the provision of, and the establishment of priorities for providing, a free appropriate public education to all handicapped children, first with respect to

handicapped children who are not receiving an education, and second with respect to handicapped children, within each disability, with the most severe handicaps who are receiving an inadequate education;

(iii) the participation and consultation of the parents or guardian of such children; and

(iv) to the maximum extent practicable and consistent with the provisions of section 612(5)(B), the provision of special services to enable such children to participate in regular educational programs;

(D) establish a detailed timetable for accomplishing the goal described in subclause (C); and

(E) provide a description of the kind and number of facilities, personnel, and services necessary to meet the goal described in subclause (C);

(2) provide satisfactory assurance that (A) the control of funds provided under this part, and title to property derived from such funds, shall be in a public agency for the uses and purposes provided in this part, and that a public agency will administer such funds and property, (B) Federal funds expended by local educational agencies and intermediate educational units for programs under this part (i) shall be used to pay only the excess costs directly attributable to the education of handicapped children, and (ii) shall be used to supplement and, to the extent practicable, increase the level of State and local funds expended for the education of handicapped children, and in no case to supplant such State and local funds, and (C) State and local funds will be used in the jurisdiction of the local educational agency or intermediate educational unit to provide services in program areas which, taken as a whole, are at least comparable to services being provided in areas of such jurisdiction which are not receiving funds under this part;

(3)(A) provide for furnishing such information (which, in the case of reports relating to performance, is in accordance with specific performance criteria related to program objectives), as may be necessary to enable the State educational agency to perform its duties under this part, including information relating to the educational achievement of handicapped children participating in programs carried out under this part; and

(B) provide for keeping such records, and provide for affording such access to such records, as the State educational agency may find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such information furnished under subclause (A);

(4) provide for making the application and all pertinent documents related to such application available to parents, guardians, and other members of the general public, and provide that all evaluations and reports required under clause (3) shall be public information;

(5) provide assurances that the local educational agency or intermediate educational unit will establish, or revise, whichever is appropriate, an individualized education program for each handicapped child at the beginning of each school year and will then review and, if appropriate revise, its provisions periodically, but not less than annually;

(6) provide satisfactory assurance that policies and programs established and administered by the local educational agency or intermediate educational unit shall be consistent with the provisions of paragraph (1) through paragraph (7) of section 612 and section 613(a); and

(7) provide satisfactory assurance that the local educational agency or intermediate educational unit will establish and maintain procedural safeguards in accordance with the provisions of sections 612(5)(B), 612(5)(C), and 615.

(b)(1) A State educational agency shall approve any application submitted by a local educational agency or an intermediate educational unit under subsection (a) if the State educational agency determines that such application meets the requirements of subsection (a), except that no such application may be approved until the State plan submitted by such State educational agency under subsection (a) is approved by the Secretary under section 613(c). A State educational agency shall disapprove any application submitted by a local educational agency or an intermediate educational unit under subsection (a) if the State educational agency determines that such application does not meet the requirements of subsection (a).

(2)(A) Whenever a State educational agency, after reasonable notice and opportunity for a hearing, finds that a local educational agency or an intermediate educational unit, in the administration of an application approved by the State educational agency under paragraph (1), has failed to comply with any requirement set forth in such application, the State educational agency, after giving appropriate notice to the local educational agency or the intermediate educational unit, shall—

(i) make no further payments to such local educational agency or such intermediate educational unit under soction 620 until the State educational agency is satisfied that there is no longer any failure to comply with the requirement involved; or

(ii) take such finding into account in its review of any application made by such local educational agency or such intermediate educational unit under subsection (a).

(B) The provisions of the last sentence of section 616(a) shall apply to any local educational agency or any intermediate educational unit receiving any notification from a State educational agency under this paragraph.

(3) In carrying out its functions under paragraph (1), each State educational agency shall consider any decision made pursuant to a hearing held under section 615 which is adverse to the local educational agency or intermediate educational unit involved in such decision.

(c)(1) A State educational agency may, for purposes of the consideration and approval of applications under this section, require local educational agencies to submit a consolidated application for payments if such State educational agency determines that any individual application submitted by any such local educational agency will be disapproved because such local educational agency is ineligible to receive payments because of the application of section 611(c)(4)(A)(i) or such local educational agency would be unable

to establish and maintain programs of sufficient size and scope to effectively meet the educational needs of handicapped children.

(2)(A) In any case in which a consolidated application of local educational agencies is approved by a State educational agency under paragraph (1), the payments which such local educational agencies may receive shall be equal to the sum of payments to which each such local educational agency would be entitled under section 611(d) if an individual application of any such local educational agency had been approved.

(B) The State educational agency shall prescribe rules and regulations with respect to consolidated applications submitted under this subsection which are consistent with the provisions of paragraph (1) through paragraph (7) of section 612 and section 613(a) and which provide participating local educational agencies with joint responsibilities for implementing programs receiving payments under this part.

(C) In any case in which an intermediate educational unit is required pursuant to State law to carry out the provisions of this part, the joint responsibilities given to local educational agencies under subparagraph (B) shall not apply to the administration and disbursement of any payments received by such intermediate educational unit. Such responsibilities shall be carried out exclusively by such intermediate educational unit.

(d) Whenever a State educational agency determines that a local educational agency—

(1) is unable or unwilling to establish and maintain programs of free appropriate public education which meet the requirements established in subsection (a);

(2) is unable or unwilling to be consolidated with other local educational agencies in order to establish and maintain such programs; or

(3) has one or more handicapped children who can best be served by a regional or State center designed to meet the needs of such children;

the State educational agency shall use the payments which would have been available to such local educational agency to provide special education and related services directly to handicapped children residing in the area served by such local educational agency. The State educational agency may provide such education and services in such manner, and at such locations (including regional or State centers), as it considers appropriate, except that the manner in which such education and services are provided shall be consistent with the requirements of this part.

(e) Whenever a State educational agency determines that a local educational agency is adequately providing a free appropriate public education to all handicapped children residing in the area served by such agency with State and local funds otherwise available to such agency, the State educational agency may reallocate funds (or such portion of those funds as may not be required to provide such education and services) made available to such agency, pursuant to section 611(d), to such other local educational agencies within the State as are not adequately providing special education and related services to all handicapped children residing in the areas served by such other local educational agencies.

(f) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a)(2)(B)(ii), any local educational agency which is required to carry out any program for the education of handicapped children pursuant to a State law shall be entitled to receive payments under section 611(d) for use in carrying out such program, except that such payments may not be used to reduce the level of expenditures for such program made by such local educational agency from State or local funds below the level of such expenditures for the fiscal year prior to the fiscal year for which such local educational agency seeks such payments.

(20 U.S.C. 1414) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 614, 84 Stat. 181; amended November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 5(a), 89 Stat. 784, 785, 786, 787, 788.

PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS

SEC. 615. (a) Any State educational agency, any local educational agency, and any intermediate educational unit which receives assistance under this part shall establish and maintain procedures in accordance with subsection (b) through subsection (e) of this section to assure that handicapped children and their parents or guardians are guaranteed procedural safeguards with respect to the provision of free appropriate public education by such agencies and units.

(b)(1) The procedures required by this section shall include, but shall not be limited to—

(A) an opportunity for the parents or guardian of a handicapped child to examine all relevant records with respect to the identification, evaluation, and educational placement of the child, and the provision of a free appropriate public education to such child, and to obtain an independent educational evaluation of the child;

(B) procedures to protect the rights of the child whenever the parents or guardian of the child are not known, unavailable, or the child is a ward of the State, including the assignment of an individual (who shall not be an employee of the State educational agency, local educational agency, or intermediate educational unit involved in the education or care of the child) to act as a surrogate for the parents or guardian;

(C) written prior notice to the parents or guardian of the child whenever such agency or unit—

(i) proposes to initiate or change, or

(ii) refuses to initiate or change,

the identification, evaluation, or educational placement of the child or the provision of a free appropriate public education to the child;

(D) procedures designed to assure that the notice required by clause (C) fully inform the parents or guardian, in the parents' or guardian's native language, unless it clearly is not feasible to do so, of all procedures available pursuant to this section; and

(E) an opportunity to present complaints with respect to any matter relating to the identification, evaluation, or educational placement of the child, or the provision of a free appropriate public education to such child.

(2) Whenever a complaint has been received under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the parents or guardian shall have an opportunity for an impartial due process hearing which shall be conducted by the State educational agency or by the local educational agency or intermediate educational unit, as determined by State law or by the State educational agency. No hearing conducted pursuant to the requirements of this paragraph shall be conducted by an employee of such agency or unit involved in the education or care of the child.

(c) If the hearing required in paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this section is conducted by a local educational agency or an intermediate educational unit, any party aggrieved by the findings and decision rendered in such a hearing may appeal to the State educational agency which shall conduct an impartial review of such hearing. The officer conducting such review shall make an independent decision upon completion of such review.

(d) Any party to any hearing conducted pursuant to subsections (b) and (c) shall be accorded (1) the right to be accompanied and advised by counsel and by individuals with special knowledge or training with respect to the problems of handicapped children, (2) the right to present evidence and confront, cross-examine, and compel the attendance of witnesses, (3) the right to a written or electronic verbatim record of such hearing, and (4) the right to written findings of fact and decisions (which findings and decisions shall also be transmitted to the advisory panel established pursuant to section 613(a)(12)).

(e)(1) A decision made in a hearing conducted pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) shall be final, except that any party involved in such hearing may appeal such decision under the provisions of subsection (c) and paragraph (2) of this subsection. A decision made under subsection (c) shall be final, except that any party may bring an action under paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(2) Any party aggrieved by the findings and decision made under subsection (b) who does not have the right to an appeal under subsection (c), and any party aggrieved by the findings and decision under subsection (c), shall have the right to bring a civil action with respect to the complaint presented pursuant to this section, which action may be brought in any State court of competent jurisdiction or in a district court of the United States without regard to the amount in controversy. In any action brought under this paragraph the court shall receive the records of the administrative proceedings, shall hear additional evidence at the request of a party, and, basing its decision on the preponderance of the evidence, shall grant such relief as the court determines is appropriate.

(3) During the pendency of any proceedings conducted pursuant to this section, unless the State or local educational agency and the parents or guardian otherwise agree, the child shall remain in the then current educational placement of such child, or, if applying for initial admission to a public school, shall, with the consent of the parents or guardian, be placed in the public school program until all such proceedings have been completed.

(4) The district courts of the United States shall have jurisdiction of actions brought under this subsection without regard to the amount in controversy.

(20 U.S.C. 1415) Enacted November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 5(a), 89 Stat. 788, 789.

WITHHOLDING AND JUDICIAL REVIEW

SEC. 616. (a) Whenever the Secretary, after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing to the State educational agency involved (and to any local educational agency or intermediate educational unit affected by any failure described in clause (2)), finds—

(1) that there has been a failure to comply substantially with any provision of section 612 or section 613, or

(2) that in the administration of the State plan there is a failure to comply with any provision of this part or with any requirements set forth in the application of a local educational agency or intermediate educational unit approved by the State educational agency pursuant to the State plan,

the Secretary (A) shall, after notifying the State educational agency, withhold any further payments to the State under this part, and (B) may, after notifying the State educational agency, withhold further payments to the State under the Federal programs specified in section 613(a)(2) within his jurisdiction, to the extent that funds under such programs are available for the provision of assistance for the education of handicapped children. If the Secretary withholds further payments under clause (A) or clause (B) he may determine that such withholding will be limited to programs or projects under the State plan, or portions thereof, affected by the failure, or that the State educational agency shall not make further payments under this part to specified local educational agencies or intermediate educational units affected by the failure. Until the Secretary is satisfied that there is no longer any failure to comply with the provisions of this part, as specified in clause (1) or clause (2), no further payments shall be made to the State under this part or under the Federal programs specified in section 613(a)(2) within his jurisdiction to the extent that funds under such programs are available for the provision of assistance for the education of handicapped children, or payments by the State educational agency under this part shall be limited to local educational agencies and intermediate educational units whose actions did not cause or were not involved in the failure, as the case may be. Any State educational agency, local educational agency, or intermediate educational unit in receipt of a notice pursuant to the first sentence of this subsection shall, by means of a public notice, take such measures as may be necessary to bring the pendency of an action pursuant to this subsection to the attention of the public within the jurisdiction of such agency or unit.

(b)(1) If any State is dissatisfied with the Secretary's final action with respect to its State plan submitted under section 613, such State may, within sixty days after notice of such action, file with the United States court of appeals for the circuit in which such State is located a petition for review of that action. A copy of the petition shall be forthwith transmitted by the clerk of the court to the Secretary. The Secretary thereupon shall file in the court the record of the proceedings on which he based his action, as provided in section 2112 of title 28, United States Code.

(2) The findings of fact by the Secretary, if supported by substantial evidence, shall be conclusive; but the court, for good cause

shown, may remand the case to the Secretary to take further evidence, and the Secretary may thereupon make new or modified findings of fact and may modify his previous action, and shall file in the court the record of the further proceedings. Such new or modified findings of fact shall likewise be conclusive if supported by substantial evidence.

(3) Upon the filing of such petition, the court shall have jurisdiction to affirm the action of the Secretary or to set it aside, in whole or in part. The judgment of the court shall be subject to review by the Supreme Court of the United States upon certiorari or certification as provided in section 1254 of title 28, United States Code.

(20 U.S.C. 1416) Enacted November 29, 1975 P.L. 94-142, sec. 5(a), 89 Stat. 789, 790.

ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 617. (a)(1) In carrying out his duties under this part, the Secretary shall—

(A) cooperate with, and furnish all technical assistance necessary, directly or by grant or contract, to the States in matters relating to the education of handicapped children and the execution of the provisions of this part;

(B) provide such short-term training programs and institutes as are necessary;

(C) disseminate information, and otherwise promote the education of all handicapped children within the States; and

(D) assure that each State shall, within one year after the date of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975, provide certification of the actual number of handicapped children receiving special education and related services in each State.

(2) As soon as practicable after the date of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975, the Secretary shall, by regulation, prescribe a uniform financial report to be utilized by State educational agencies in submitting plans under this part in order to assure equity among the States.

(b) In carrying out the provisions of this part, the Secretary (and the Secretary, in carrying out the provisions of subsection (c)) shall issue, not later than January 1, 1977, amend, and revoke such rules and regulations as may be necessary. No other less formal method of implementing such provisions is authorized.

(c) The Secretary shall take appropriate action, in accordance with the provisions of section 438 of the General Education Provisions Act, to assure the protection of the confidentiality of any personally identifiable data, information, and records collected or maintained by the Secretary and by State and local educational agencies pursuant to the provisions of this part.

(d) The Secretary is authorized to hire qualified personnel necessary to conduct data collection and evaluation activities required by subsections (b), (c) and (d) of section 618 and to carry out his duties under subsection (a)(1) of this subsection without regard to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, relating to appointments in the competitive service and without regard to chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classifica-

tion and general schedule pay rates except that no more than twenty such personnel shall be employed at any time.

(20 U.S.C. 1417) Enacted November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 5(a), 89 Stat. 791.

EVALUATION

SEC. 618. (a) The Secretary shall directly or by grant, contract, or cooperative agreement, collect data and conduct studies, investigations, and evaluations—

(1) to assess progress in the implementation of this Act, the impact, and the effectiveness of State and local efforts to provide free appropriate public education to all handicapped children and youth; and

(2) to provide Congress with information relevant to policymaking and provide Federal, State, and local educational agencies with information relevant to program management, administration, and effectiveness with respect to such education.

(b) In carrying out the responsibilities under this section, the Secretary, on at least an annual basis, shall obtain data concerning programs and projects assisted under this Act, and under other Federal laws relating to the education of handicapped children and youth, and such additional information, from State and local educational agencies and other appropriate sources, as is necessary for the implementation of this Act including—

(1) the number of handicapped children and youth in each State receiving a free appropriate public education (special education and related services) by disability category and by age group (3-5, 6-11, 12-17, and 18-21);

(2) The number of handicapped children and youth in each State who are participating in regular educational programs, by disability category (consistent with the requirements of section 612(5)(B) and section 614(a)(1)(C)(iv)), and the number of handicapped children and youth in separate classes, separate schools or facilities, or public or private residential facilities, or who have been otherwise removed from the regular education environment.

(3) the number of handicapped children and youth exiting the educational system each year through program completion or otherwise, by disability category and age, and anticipated services for the next year.

(4) the amount of Federal, State, and local funds expended in each State specifically for special education and related services (which may be based upon a sampling of data from State agencies including State and local educational agencies);

(5) the number and type of personnel that are employed in the provision of special education and related services to handicapped children and youth by disability category served, and the estimated number and type of additional personnel by disability category needed to adequately carry out the policy established by this Act; and

(6) a description of the special education and related services needed to fully implement the Act throughout each State, including estimates of the number of handicapped children and youth within each disability by age group (3-5, 6-11, 12-17, and

18-21) in need of improved services and the type of programs and services in need of improvement.

(c) The Secretary shall, by grant, contract, or cooperative agreement, provide for evaluation studies to determine the impact of this Act. Each such evaluation shall include recommendations for improvement of the programs under this Act. The Secretary shall, not later than July 1 of each year, submit to the appropriate committees of each House of the Congress and publish in the Federal Register proposed evaluation priorities for review and comment.

(d)(1) The Secretary is authorized to enter into cooperative agreements with State educational agencies to carry out studies to assess the impact and effectiveness of programs assisted under the Act.

(2) Such agreements shall—

(A) provide for the payment of not to exceed 60 per centum of the total cost of studies conducted by a participating State educational agency to assess the impact and effectiveness of programs assisted under the Act; and

(B) be developed in consultation with the State Advisory Panel established under this Act, the local educational agencies, and others involved in or concerned with the education of handicapped children and youth.

(3) The Secretary shall provide technical assistance to participating State educational agencies in the implementation of the study design, analysis, and reporting procedures.

(4) In addition, the Secretary shall disseminate information from such studies to State educational agencies, and as appropriate, others involved in, or concerned with the education of handicapped children and youth.

(e)(1) At least one study shall be a longitudinal study of a sample of handicapped students, encompassing the full range of handicapping conditions, examining their educational progress while in special education and their occupational, educational, and independent living status after graduating from secondary school or otherwise leaving special education.

(2) At least one study shall focus on obtaining and compiling current information available through State educational agencies and local educational agencies and other service providers, regarding State and local expenditures for educational services for handicapped students (including special education and related services), and gather information needed in order to calculate a range of per pupil expenditures by handicapping condition.

(f)(1) Not later than one hundred and twenty days after the close of each fiscal year, the Secretary shall publish and disseminate an annual report on the progress being made toward the provision of a free appropriate public education to all handicapped children and youth. The annual report is to be transmitted to the appropriate committees of each House of Congress and the National Advisory Committee on the Education of Handicapped Children and Youth, and published and disseminated in sufficient quantities to the education community at large and to other interested parties.

(2) The Secretary shall include in each annual report—

(A) an index and summary of each evaluation activity and results of studies conducted under subsection (c);

(B) a compilation and analysis of data gathered under subsection (b);

(C) a description of findings and determinations resulting from monitoring reviews of State implementation of part B of this Act;

(D) an analysis and evaluation of the participation of handicapped children and youth in vocational education programs and services;

(E) an analysis and evaluation of the effectiveness of procedures undertaken by each State educational agency, local educational agency, and intermediate educational unit to ensure that handicapped children and youth receive special education and related services in the least restrictive environment commensurate with their needs and to improve programs of instruction for handicapped children and youth in day or residential facilities; and

(F) any recommendations for change in the provisions of this Act or any other Federal law providing support for the education of handicapped children and youth.

(3) In the annual report for fiscal year 1985 (published in 1986) and for every third year thereafter, the Secretary shall include in the annual report—

(A) an index of all current projects funded under parts C through F of this Act; and

(B) data reported under sections 621, 622, 623, 627, 634, 641, and 653.

(g) There are authorized to be appropriated $3,100,000 for fiscal year 1984, $3,270,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $3,440,000 for fiscal year 1986 to carry out the provisions of this section.

(20 U.S.C. 1418) Enacted November 29, 1975. P.L. 94-142, sec. 5(a), 89 Stat. 791, 792, 793; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 8, 97 Stat. 1360.

INCENTIVE GRANTS

SEC. 619. (a) The Secretary shall make a grant to any State which—

(1) has met the eligibility requirements of section 612;

(2) has a State plan approved under section 613; and

(3) provides special education and related services to handicapped children aged three to five, inclusive, who are counted for the purposes of section 611(a)(1)(A).

The maximum amount of the grant for each fiscal year which a State may receive under this section shall be $300 for each such child in that State.

(b) Each State which—

(1) has met the eligibility requirements of section 612,

(2) has a State plan approved under section 613, and

(3) desires to receive a grant under this section.

shall make an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing or accompanied by such information, as the Secretary may reasonably require.

(c) The Secretary shall pay to each State having an application approved under subsection (b) of this section the amount of which the State is entitled under this section, which amount shall be used for the purpose of providing the services specified in clause (3) of subsection (a) of this section, and for providing special education

and related services for handicapped children from birth to three years of age.

(d) If the sums appropriated for any fiscal year for making payments to States under this section are not sufficient to pay in full the maximum amounts which all States may receive under this part for such fiscal year, the maximum amounts which all States may receive under this part for such fiscal year shall be ratably reduced. In case additional funds become available for making such payments for any fiscal year during which the preceding sentence is applicable, such reduced amounts shall be increased on the same basis as they were reduced.

(e) In addition to the sums necessary to pay the entitlements under section 611, there are authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

(20 U.S.C. 1419) Enacted November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 5 (a), 89 Stat. 793; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 9, 97 Stat. 1363.

PAYMENTS

SEC. 620. (a) The Secretary shall make payments to each State in amounts which the State educational agency of such State is eligible to receive under this part. Any State educational agency receiving payments under this subsection shall distribute payments to the local educational agencies and intermediate educational units of such State in amounts which such agencies and units are eligible to receive under this part after the State educational agency has approved applications of such agencies or units for payments in accordance with section 614(b).

(b) Payments under this part may be made in advance or by way of reimbursement and in such installments as the Secretary may determine necessary.

(20 U.S.C. 1420) Enacted November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 5(a), 89 Stat. 793, 794.

PART C—CENTERS AND SERVICES TO MEET SPECIAL NEEDS OF THE HANDICAPPED

REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS

SEC. 621. (a) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to, or to enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with, institutions of higher education, private nonprofit organizations, State educational agencies, or combinations of such agencies or institutions (which combinations may include one or more local educational agencies) within particular regions of the United States, to pay all or part of the cost of the establishment and operation of regional resource centers. Each regional resource center shall provide consultation, technical assistance, and training to State educational agencies and through such State agencies to local educational agencies. Each center established or operated under this section shall—

(1) assist in identifying and solving persistent problems in providing quality special education and related services for handicapped children and youth;

(2) assist in developing, identifying, and replicating successful programs and practices which will improve special education and related services to handicapped children and youth and their families;

(3) gather and disseminate information to all State educational agencies within the region and coordinate activities with other centers assisted under this section and other relevant projects conducted by the Department of Education; and

(4) assist in the improvement of information dissemination to and training activities for professionals and parents of handicapped children.

(b) In determining whether to approve an application for a project under this section, the Secretary shall consider the need for such a center in the region to be served by the applicant and the capability of the applicant to fulfill the responsibilities under subsection (a).

(c) Each regional resource center shall report a summary of materials produced or developed and this information shall be included in the annual report to Congress required under section 618.

(20 U.S.C. 1421) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 621, 84 Stat. 181; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 10, 97 Stat. 1363.

SERVICES FOR DEAF-BLIND CHILDREN AND YOUTH

SEC. 622. (a)(1) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to, or to enter into cooperative agreements or contracts with, public or nonprofit private agencies, institutions, or organizations to assist State educational agencies to—

(A) assure deaf-blind children and youth provision of special education and related services as well as vocational and transitional services; and

(B) make available to deaf-blind youth upon attaining the age of twenty-two, programs and services to facilitate their transition from educational to other services.

(2) A grant, cooperative agreement, or contract pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) may be made only for programs providing (A) technical assistance to agencies, institutions, or organizations providing educational services to deaf-blind children or youth; (B) preservice or inservice training to paraprofessionals, professionals, and related services personnel preparing to serve, or serving, deaf-blind children or youth; (C) replication of successful innovative approaches to providing educational or related services to deaf-blind children and youth; and (D) facilitation of parental involvement in the education of their deaf-blind children and youth. Such programs may include—

(i) the diagnosis and educational evaluation of children and youth at risk of being certified deaf-blind;

(ii) programs of adjustment, education, and orientation for deaf-blind children and youth; and

(iii) consultative, counseling, and training services for the families of deaf-blind children and youth.

(3) A grant, cooperative agreement, or contract pursuant to paragraph (1)(B) may be made only for programs providing (A) technical assistance to agencies, institutions, and organizations serving, or proposing to serve, deaf-blind individuals who have attained age

twenty-two years; (B) training or inservice training to paraprofessionals or professionals serving, or preparing to serve, such individuals; and (C) assistance in the development or replication of successful innovative approaches to providing rehabilitative, semisupervised, or independent living programs.

(4) In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary shall take into consideration the need for a center for deaf-blind children and youth in light of the general availability and quality of existing services for such children and youth in the part of the country involved.

(b) The Secretary is also authorized to enter into a limited number of cooperative agreements or contracts to establish and support regional programs for the provision of techincal assistance in the education of deaf-blind children and youth.

(c)(1) Programs supported under this section shall report annually to the Secretary on (A) the numbers of deaf-blind children and youth served by age, severity, and nature of deaf-blindness; (B) the number of paraprofessionals, professionals, and family members directly, served by each activity; and (C) the types of services provided.

(2) The Secretary shall examine the number of deaf-blind children and youth (A) reported under subparagraph (c)(1)(A) and by the States; (B) served by the programs under part B of this Act and subpart 2 of part B, title I, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (as modified by chapter 1 of the Education Consolidation and Improvement Act of 1981); and (C) the Deaf-Blind Registry of each State. The Secretary shall revise the count of deaf-blind children and youth to reflect the most accurate count.

(3) The Secretary shall summarize these data for submission in the annual report required under section 618.

(d) The Secretary shall disseminate materials and information concerning effective practices in working with deaf-blind children and youth.

(20 U.S.C. 1422) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 622, 84 Stat. 182; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 10, 97 Stat. 1364.

EARLY EDUCATION FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

SEC. 623. (a)(1) The Secretary is authorized to arrange by contract, grant, or cooperative agreement with appropriate public agencies and private nonprofit organizations, for the development and operation of programs of experimental preschool and early education for handicapped children which the Secretary determines show promise of promoting a comprehensive and strengthened approach to the special problems of such children. Such programs shall include activities and services designed to (1) facilitate the intellectual, emotional, physical, mental, social, and language development of such children; (2) encourage the participation of the parents of such children in the development and operation of any such program; and (3) acquaint the community to be served by any such program with the problems and potentialities of such children.

(2) Programs authorized by this subsection shall be coordinated with similar programs in the schools operated or supported by State or local educational agencies of the community to be served.

(3) As much as is feasible, such programs shall be geographically dispersed throughout the Nation in urban as well as rural areas.

(4) No arrangement pursuant to this subsection shall provide for the payment of more than 90 per centum of the total annual costs of development, operation, and evaluation of any program. Non-Federal contributions may be in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated, including, but not limited to, plant, equipment, and services.

(5) For purposes of this subsection the term "handicapped children" includes children from birth through eight years of age.

(b)(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Secretary is authorized to make a grant to each State through the State educational agency or other State agency to assist such State agency in planning, developing, and implementing a comprehensive delivery system for the provision of special education and related services to handicapped children from birth through five years of age.

(2) The Secretary shall make one of the following types of grants (authorized under paragraph (1)) to any State which submits an application which meets the requirements of this subsection:

(A) PLANNING GRANT.—A grant for a maximum of two years for the purpose of assessing needs within the State and establishing a procedure and design for the development of a State plan which includes parent participation and training of professionals and others.

(B) DEVELOPMENT GRANT.—A grant for a maximum of three years for the purpose of developing a comprehensive State plan, and gaining approval of this plan from the State Board of Education, The Commissioner of Education, or other designated official of the appropriate State agency.

(C) IMPLEMENTATION GRANT.—A grant for a maximum of three years for the purpose of implementing and evaluating the comprehensive State plan. A State must apply for annual renewal of such grant.

(3) Each State educational agency or other State agency desiring to receive a grant under this subsection shall submit an application at such time, in such manner, and accompanied by such information as the Secretary considers necessary. Each such application shall contain assurances and evidence that:

(A) The State agency receiving the grant will coordinate with other appropriate State agencies (including the State educational agency) in carrying out the grant.

(B) The State plan will address the special education and related service needs of all handicapped children from birth through five years of age with special emphasis on children who are often not identified and children who are not now served.

(C) The State plan will be closely coordinated with child-find efforts under section 612(2)(C) and with preschool incentive grant activites under section 619 of this Act.

(4) The Secretary shall include in the annual report under section 618 of this Act the following:

(A) The States and State agencies receiving grants under this subsection and the types of grants received.

(B) A description of the activities in each State being undertaken through grants under this subsection.

(C) Beginning in 1986, in consultation with the National Council for the Handicapped and the National Advisory Committee on the Education of Handicapped Children and Youth, a description of the status of special education and related services to handicapped children from birth through five years of age (including those receiving services through Head Start, Developmental Disabilities Program, Crippled Children's Services, Mental Health/Mental Retardation Agency, and State child-development centers and private agencies under contract with local schools).

(c)(1) Not less than 80 per centum of the funds made available in any year for the purposes of this section may be used for purposes of subsection (b).

(2) Not less than 10 per centum of the funds made available in any year for the purposes of subsection (b) shall be available for the provision of training and technical assistance of States preparing to receive or receiving grants under this section.

(20 U.S.C. 1423) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 623, 84 Stat. 183; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 10, 97 Stat. 1365.

RESEARCH, INNOVATION, TRAINING, AND DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH CENTERS AND SERVICES FOR THE HANDICAPPED

SEC. 624. (a) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to, or to enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with such organizations or institutions, as are determined by the Secretary to be appropriate, consistent with the purposes of this part, for—

(1) research to identify and meet the full range of special needs of handicapped children and youth;

(2) the development or demonstration of new, or improvements in existing, methods, approaches, or techniques which would contribute to the adjustment and education of handicapped children and youth;

(3) training of personnel for programs specifically designed for handicapped children; and

(4) dissemination of materials and information about practices found effective in working with such children and youth.

(b) In making grants and contracts under this section, the Secretary shall ensure that the activities funded under such grants and contracts will be coordinated with similar activities funded from grants and contracts under other sections of this Act.

(c) In carrying out the provisions of this section the Secretary is authorized to address the needs of the severely handicapped.

(20 U.S.C. 1424) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 624, 84 Stat. 183; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 10, 97 Stat. 1366.

POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

SEC. 625. (a)(1) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to or to enter into contracts with State educational agencies, institutions of higher education, junior and community colleges, vocational and technical institutions, and other appropriate nonprofit educational agencies for the development, operation, and dissemination of specially designed model programs of postsecondary, vocational, technical, continuing, or adult education for handicapped individuals.

(2) In making grants or contracts on a competitive basis under this section, the Secretary shall give priority consideration to the four regional centers for the deaf and to model programs for individuals with handicapping conditions other than deafness—

(A) for developing and adapting programs of postsecondary, vocational, technical, continuing, or adult education to meet the special needs of handicapped individuals; and

(B) for programs that coordinate, facilitate, and encourage education of handicapped individuals with their nonhandicapped peers.

(3) Of the sums made available for programs under this section, not less than $2,000,000 shall first be available for the four regional centers for the deaf.

(b) For the purposes of this section the term "handicapped individuals" means individuals who are mentally retarded, hard of hearing, deaf, speech or language impaired, visually handicapped, seriously emotionally disturbed, orthopedically impaired, or other health impaired individuals with specific learning disabilities who by reason thereof require special education and related services.

(20 U.S.C. 1424a) Enacted August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 616, 88 Stat. 584; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 10, 97 Stat. 1367.

SECONDARY EDUCATION AND TRANSITIONAL SERVICES FOR HANDICAPPED YOUTH

SEC. 626. (a) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to, or enter into contracts with, institutions of higher education, State educational agencies, local educational agencies, or other appropriate public and private nonprofit institutions or agencies (including the State job training coordinating councils and service delivery area administrative entities established under the Job Training Partnership Act (Public Law 97-300)) to—

(1) strengthen and coordinate education, training, and related services for handicapped youth to assist in the transitional process to postsecondary education, vocational training, competitive employment, continuing education, or adult services; and

(2) stimulate the improvement and development of programs for secondary special education.

(b) Projects assisted under this section may include—

(1) developing strategies and techniques for transition to independent living, vocational training, postsecondary education, and competitive employment for handicapped youth;

(2) establishing demonstration models for services and programs which emphasize vocational training, transitional services, and placement for handicapped youth;

(3) conducting demographic studies which provide information on the numbers, age levels, types of handicapping conditions, and services required for handicapped youth in need of transitional programs;

(4) specially designed vocational programs to increase the potential for competitive employment for handicapped youth;

(5) research and development projects for exemplary service delivery models and the replication and dissemination of successful models;

(6) initiating cooperative models between educational agencies and adult service agencies, including vocational rehabilitation, mental health, mental retardation, public employment, and employers, which facilitate the planning and developing of transitional services for handicapped youth to postsecondary education, vocational training, employment, continuing education, and adult services; and

(7) developing appropriate procedures for evaluating vocational training, placement, and transitional services for handicapped youth.

(c) For purposes of subsections (b)(1) and (b)(2), if an applicant is not an educational agency, such applicant shall coordinate with the State educational agency.

(d) Projects funded under this section shall to the extent appropriate provide for the direct participation of handicapped students and the parents of handicapped students in the planning, development, and implementation of such projects.

(e) The Secretary, as appropriate, shall coordinate programs described under this section with projects developed under section 311 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

(20 U.S.C. 1425) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 625, 84 Stat 183; renumbered August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 616, 88 Stat. 584; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 10, 97 Stat. 1367.

PROGRAM EVALUATIONS

SEC. 627. The Secretary shall conduct, either directly or by contract, a thorough and continuing evaluation of the effectiveness of each program assisted under this part. Results of the evaluations shall be analyzed and submitted to the appropriate committees of each House of Congress together with the annual report under section 618.

(20 U.S.C. 1426) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 626, 84 Stat. 184; renumbered and amended August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 616 and 617, 88 Stat. 584; amended June 17, 1977, P.L. 95-49, sec. 2, 91 Stat. 230; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 10, 97 Stat. 1368.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 628. (a) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of section 621, $5,700,000 for the fiscal year 1984, $6,000,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $6,300,000 for fiscal year 1986.

(b) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of section 622, $15,000,000 or fiscal year 1984, and for each of the two succeeding fiscal years.

(c) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of section 623, $26,000,000 or fiscal year 1984, $27,100,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $28,300,000 for fiscal year 1986.

(d) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of subsection (c) of section 624, $5,000,000 for fiscal year 1984, $5,300,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $5,600,000 for fiscal year 1986.

(e) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of section 625, $5,000,000 for fiscal year 1984, $5,300,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $5,500,000 for fiscal year 1986.

(f) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of section 626, $6,000,000 for fiscal year 1984, $6,330,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $6,660,000 for fiscal year 1986.

(20 U.S.C. 1427) Enacted December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 10, 97 Stat. 1368.

PART D—TRAINING PERSONNEL FOR THE EDUCATION OF THE HANDICAPPED

GRANTS FOR PERSONNEL TRAINING

SEC. 631. (a)(1) The Secretary is authorized to make grants, which may include scholarships with necessary stipends and allowances, to institutions of higher education (including the university-affiliated facilities program under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the satellite network of the developmental disabilities program) and other appropriate nonprofit agencies to assist them in training personnel for careers in special education including—

(A) special education teaching, including speech, language, and hearing impaired, and adaptive physical education;

(B) related services to handicapped children and youth in educational settings;

(C) special education supervision and administration;

(D) special education research; and

(E) training of special education personnel and other personnel providing special services.

(2) The Secretary shall ensure that grants awarded to applicant institutions and agencies under this subsection meet State and professionally recognized standards for the training of special education and related services personnel.

(3) Grants under this subsection may be used by such institutions to assist in covering the cost of courses of training or study for such personnel and for establishing and maintaining fellowships or traineeships with such stipends and allowances as may be determined by the Secretary.

(4) The Secretary in carrying out the purposes of this subsection may reserve a sum not to exceed 5 per centum of the amount available for this subsection in each fiscal year for contracts to prepare personnel in areas where shortages exist, when a response to that need has not been adequately addressed by the grant process.

(b) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to institutions of higher education and other appropriate nonprofit agencies to conduct special projects to develop and demonstrate new approaches for the preservice training purposes set forth in subsection (a), for regular educators, and for the inservice training of special education personnel, including classroom aides, related services personnel, and regular education personnel who serve handicapped children.

(c)(1) The Secretary is authorized to make grants through a separate competition to private nonprofit organizations for the purpose of providing training and information to parents of handicapped children and volunteers who work with parents to enable such individuals to participate more effectively with professionals in meeting the educational needs of handicapped children. Such grants shall be designed to meet the unique training and information needs of parents of handicapped children, including those who are

members of groups that have been traditionally underrepresented, living in the area to be served by the grant.

(2) In order to receive a grant under this subsection a private nonprofit organization shall—

(A) be governed by a board of directors on which a majority of the members are parents of handicapped children and which includes members who are professionals in the field of special education and related services who serve handicapped children and youth; or if the nonprofit private organization does not have such a board, such organization shall have a membership which represents the interests of individuals with handicapping conditions, and shall establish a special governing committee on which a majority of the members are parents of handicapped children and which includes members who are professionals in the fields of special education and related services, to operate the training and information program under this subsection;

(B) serve the parents of children with the full range of handicapping conditions under such grant program; and

(C) demonstrate the capacity and expertise to conduct effectively the training and information activities authorized under this subsection.

(3) The board of directors or special governing committee of a private nonprofit organization receiving a grant under this subsection shall meet at least once in each calendar quarter to review such parent training and information activities, and each such committee shall advise the governing board directly of its views and recommendations. Whenever a private nonprofit organization requests the renewal of a grant under this subsection, the board of directors or the special governing committee shall submit to the Secretary a written review of the parent training and information program conducted by that private nonprofit organization during the preceding fiscal year.

(4) The Secretary shall ensure that grants under this subsection will—

(A) be distributed geographically to the greatest extent possible throughout all the States; and

(B) be targeted to parents of handicapped children in both urban and rural areas, or on a State, or regional basis.

(5) Parent training and information programs assisted under the subsection shall assist parents to—

(A) better understand the nature and needs of the handicapping conditions of their child;

(B) provide followup support for their handicapped child's educational programs;

(C) communicate more effectively with special and regular educators, administrators, related services personnel, and other relevant professionals;

(D) participate in educational decisionmaking processes including the development of their handicapped child's individualized educational program;

(E) obtain information about the programs, services, and resources available to their handicapped child, and the degree to which the programs, services, and resources are appropriate; and

(F) understand the provisions for the education of handicapped children as specified under part B of this Act.

(6) Each private nonprofit organization operating a program receiving assistance under this subsection shall consult with appropriate agencies which serve or assist handicapped children and youth and are located in the jurisdictions served by the program.

(7) The Secretary shall provide technical assistance, by grant or contract, for establishing, developing, and coordinating parent training and information programs.

(20 U.S.C. 1431) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 631, 84 Stat. 184; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 11, 97 Stat. 1369.

GRANTS TO STATE EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES FOR TRAINEESHIPS

SEC. 632. The Secretary shall make grants to State educational agencies to assist them in establishing and maintaining, directly or through grants to institutions of higher education, programs for the preservice and inservice training of teachers of handicapped children, or supervisors of such teachers.

(20 U.S.C. 1432) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 632, 84 Stat. 184; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 11, 97 Stat. 1371.

GRANTS TO IMPROVE RECRUITMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PERSONNEL AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION CONCERNING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE HANDICAPPED

SEC. 633. (a) The Secretary is authorized to make a grant to or enter into a contract with a public agency or a nonprofit private organization or institution for a national clearinghouse on the education of the handicapped and to make grants or contracts with a public agency or a nonprofit private organization or institution for other support projects which may be deemed necessary by the Secretary to achieve the following objectives:

(1) to disseminate information and provide technical assistance on a national basis to parents, professionals, and other interested parties concerning—

(A) programs relating to the education of the handicapped under this Act and and under other Federal laws; and

(B) participation in such programs, including referral of individuals to appropriate national, State, and local agencies and organizations for further assistance;

(2) to encourage students and professional personnel to seek and obtain careers and employment in the various fields relating to the education of handicapped children and youth; and

(3) to provide information on available services and programs in postsecondary education for the handicapped.

(b) In addition to the clearinghouse established under subsection (a), the Secretary shall make a grant or enter into a contract for a national clearinghouse on postsecondary education for handicapped individuals for the purpose of providing information on available services and programs in postsecondary education for the handicapped.

(c)(1) In awarding the grants and contracts under this section, the Secretary shall give particular attention to any demonstrated

experience at the national level relevant to performance of the functions established in the section, and ability to conduct such projects, communicate with the intended consumers of information, and maintain the necessary communication with other agencies and organizations.

(2) The Secretary is authorized to make contracts with profitmaking organizations under this section only when necessary for materials or media access.

(20 U.S.C. 1433) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 633, 84 Stat. 184; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 11, 97 Stat. 1371.

REPORTS TO THE SECRETARY

SEC. 634. (a) Not more than sixty days after the end of any fiscal year, each recipient of a grant or contract under this part during such fiscal year shall prepare and submit a report to the Secretary. Each such report shall be in such form and detail as the Secretary determines to be appropriate, and shall include—

(1) the number of individuals trained under the grant or contract, by category of training and level of training; and

(2) the number of individuals trained under the grant or contract receiving degrees and certification, by category and level of training.

(b) A summary of the date required by this section shall be included in the annual report of the Secretary under section 618 of this Act.

(20 U.S.C. 1434) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 634, 84 Stat. 185; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 11, 97 Stat. 1372.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 635. (a) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of this part (other than section 633) $58,000,000 for fiscal year 1984, $61,150,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $64,370,000 for fiscal year 1986. There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of section 633, $1,000,000 for fiscal year 1984, $1,050,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $1,110,000 for fiscal year 1986.

(b) Of the funds appropriated pursuant to subsection (a) for any fiscal year, the Secretary shall reserve 10 per centum for activities under section 631(c).

(20 U.S.C. 1435) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 635, 84 Stat. 185; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 11, 97 Stat. 1372.

PART E—RESEARCH IN THE EDUCATION OF THE HANDICAPPED

RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS IN EDUCATION OF HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

SEC. 641. (a) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to, or enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with, State and local educational agencies, institutions of higher education, and other public agencies and nonprofit private organizations for research and related activities, to assist special education personnel, related services personnel, and other appropriate persons, including parents, in improving the education and related services for handicapped children and youth and to conduct research, surveys,

or demonstrations relating to the education of handicapped children and youth. Research and related activities shall be designed to increase knowledge and understanding of handicapping conditions and teaching, learning, and education-related practices and services for handicapped children and youth. Research and related activities assisted under this section shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) The development of new and improved techniques and devices for teaching handicapped children and youth.

(2) The development of curricula which meet the unique educational needs of handicapped children and youth.

(3) The application of new technologies and knowledge for the purpose of improving the instruction of handicapped children and youth.

(4) The development of program models and exemplary practices in areas of special education.

(5) The dissemination of information on research and related activities conducted under this part to interested individuals and organizations.

(b) In carrying out this section the Secretary shall consider the special education experience of the applicant and the ability of the applicant to disseminate the findings of any grant or contract.

(c) The Secretary shall publish proposed research priorities in the Federal Register every two years, not later than July 1, and shall allow a period of sixty days for public comments and suggestions. After analyzing and considering the public comments, the Secretary shall publish final research priorities in the Federal Register not later than thirty days after the close of the comment period.

(d) The Secretary shall provide an index (including the title of each research project and the name and address of the researching organization) of all research projects conducted in the prior fiscal year in the annual report described under section 618. The Secretary shall make reports of research projects available to the education community at large and to other interested parties.

(e) The Secretary shall coordinate the research priorities established under this section with research priorities established by the National Institute of Handicapped Research and shall provide information concerning research priorities established under this section to the National Council on the Handicapped and to the National Advisory Committee on the Education of Handicapped Children.

(20 U.S.C. 1441) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 641, 84 Stat. 185; amended June 17, 1977, P.L. 95-49, sec. 4, 91 Stat. 230; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 12, 97 Stat. 1372.

RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND RECREATION FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN

SEC. 642. The Secretary is authorized to make grants to States, State or local educational agencies, institutions of higher education, and other public or nonprofit private educational or research agencies and organizations, and to make contracts with States, State or local educational agencies, institutions of higher education, and other public or private educational or research agencies and organizations, for research and related purposes relating to

physical education or recreation for handicapped children, and to conduct research, surveys, or demonstrations relating to physical education or recreation for handicapped children.

(20 U.S.C. 1442) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 642, 84 Stat. 185; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 12, 97 Stat. 1373.

PANELS OF EXPERTS

SEC. 643. The Secretary shall from time to time appoint panels of experts who are competent to evaluate various types of proposals for projects under parts C, D, E, and F, and shall secure the advice and recommendations of one such panel before making any grant or contract under parts C, D, E, and F of this Act. The panels shall be composed of—

(1) individuals from the field of special education for the handicapped and other relevant disciplines who have significant expertise and experience in the content areas and age levels addressed in the proposals; and

(2) handicapped individuals and parents of handicapped individuals when appropriate.

(20. U.S.C. 1443) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 643, 84 Stat. 185; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 12, 97 Stat. 1373.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 644. For purposes of carrying out this part, there are authorized to be appropriated $20,000,000 for fiscal year 1984, $21,100,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $22,200,000 for fiscal year 1986.

(20 U.S.C. 1444) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 644, 84 Stat. 186; amended August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 619, 88 Stat. 585; amended June 17, 1977, P.L. 95-49, sec. 5, 91 Stat. 231; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 12, 97 Stat. 1374.

PART F—INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA FOR THE HANDICAPPED

PURPOSE

SEC. 651. (a) The purposes of this part are to promote—

(1) the general welfare of deaf persons by (A) bringing to such persons understanding and appreciation of those films which play such an important part in the general and cultural advancement of hearing persons, (B) providing through these films enriched educational and cultural experiences through which deaf persons can be brought into better touch with the realities of their environment, and (C) providing a wholesome and rewarding experience which deaf persons may share together; and

(2) the educational advancement of handicapped persons by (A) carrying on research in the use of educational media for the handicapped, (B) producing and distributing educational media for the use of handicapped persons, their parents, their actual or potential employers, and other persons directly involved in work for the advancement of the handicapped, and (C) training persons in the use of educational media for the instruction of the handicapped.

(20 U.S.C. 1451) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 651, 84 Stat. 186.

CAPTIONED FILMS AND EDUCATIONAL MEDIA FOR HANDICAPPED PERSONS

SEC. 652. (a) The Secretary shall establish a loan service of captioned films and educational media for the purpose of making such materials available in the United States for nonprofit purposes to handicapped persons, parents of handicapped persons, and other persons directly involved in activities for the advancement of the handicapped in accordance with regulations.

(b) The Secretary is authorized to—

(1) acquire films (or rights thereto) and other educational media by purchase, lease, or gift;

(2) acquire by lease or purchase equipment necessary to the administration of this part;

(3) provide, by grant or contract, for the captioning of films;

(4) provide, by grant or contract, for the distribution of captioned films and other educational media and equipment through State schools for the handicapped and such other agencies as the Secretary may deem appropriate to serve as local or regional centers for such distribution;

(5) provide, by grant or contract, for the conduct of research in the use of educational and training films and other educational media for the handicapped, for the production and distribution of educational and training films and other educational media for the handicapped and the training of persons in the use of such films and media, including the payment to those persons of such stipends (including allowances for travel and other expenses of such persons and their dependents) as he may determine, which shall be consistent with prevailing practices under comparable federally supported programs;

(6) utilize the facilities and services of other governmental agencies; and

(7) accept gifts, contributions, and voluntary and uncompensated services of individuals and organizations.

(20 U.S.C. 1452) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 652, 84 Stat. 186; amended August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 620, 88 Stat. 685; amended October 12, 1976, P.L. 94-482, Title V, Part A, Sec. 501(h), 90 Stat. 2237.

CENTERS ON EDUCATIONAL MEDIA AND MATERIALS FOR THE HANDICAPPED

SEC. 653. (a) The Secretary is authorized to enter into agreements with institutions of higher education, State and local educational agencies, or other appropriate nonprofit agencies, for the establishment and operation of centers on educational media and materials for the handicapped, which together will provide a comprehensive program of activities to facilitate the use of new educational technology in education programs for handicapped persons, including designing, developing, and adapting instructional materials, and such other activities consistent with the purposes of this part as the Secretary may prescribe in such agreements. Any such agreement shall—

(1) provide that Federal funds paid to a center will be used solely for such purposes as are set forth in the agreement; and

(2) authorize the center involved, subject to prior approval by the Secretary, to contract with public and private agencies and organizations for demonstration projects.

(b) In considering proposals to enter into agreements under this section, the Secretary shall give preference to institutions and agencies—

(1) which have demonstrated the capabilities necessary for the development and evaluation of educational media for the handicapped; and

(2) which can serve the educational technology needs of the Model High School for the Deaf (established under Public Law 89–694).

(c) The Secretary shall make an annual report on activities carried out under this section which shall be transmitted to the Congress.

(20 U.S.C. 1453) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 653, 84 Stat. 187, amended November 29, 1975, P.L. 94-142, sec. 6 (b), 89 Stat. 795.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 654. For the purposes of carrying out this part, there are authorized to be appropriated $19,000,000 for fiscal year 1984, $20,000,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $21,100,000 for fiscal year 1986.

(20 U.S.C. 1454) Enacted April 13, 1970, P.L. 91-230, Title VI, sec. 654, 84 Stat. 187; amended August 21, 1974, P.L. 93-380, sec. 620(2), 88 Stat. 535; amended June 17, 1977, P.L. 95-49, sec. 6, 91 Stat. 231; amended December 2, 1983, P.L. 98-199, sec. 13, 97 Stat. 1374.

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DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

SEC. 2. The purpose of this Act is to develop and implement, through research, training, services, and the guarantee of equal opportunity, comprehensive and coordinated programs of vocational rehabilitation and independent living.

REHABILITATION SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 3. (a) There is established in the Office of the Secretary a Rehabilitation Services Administration which shall be headed by a Commissioner (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the "Commissioner") appointed by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Except for titles IV and V and Part A of title VI and as otherwise specifically provided in this Act, such Administration shall be the principal agency, and the Commissioner shall be the principal officer, of such Department for carrying out this Act. In the performance of his functions, the Commissioner shall be directly responsible to the Secretary or to the Under Secretary or an appropriate Assistant Secretary of such Department, as designated by the Secretary. The functions of the Commissioner shall not be delegated to any officer not directly responsible, both with respect to program operation and administration, to the Commissioner. Any reference in this Act to duties to be carried out by the Commissioner shall be considered to be a reference to duties to be carried out by the Secretary acting through the Commissioner. In carrying out any of his functions under this Act, the Commissioner shall be guided by general policies of the National Council on the Handicapped established under Title IV of this Act.

(b) The Secretary shall take whatever action is necessary to insure that funds appropriated pursuant to this Act, as well as unexpended appropriations for carrying out the Vocational Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 31–42), are expended only for the programs, personnel, and administration of programs carried out under this Act.

ADVANCE FUNDING

SEC. 4. (a) For the purpose of affording adequate notice of funding available under this Act, appropriations under this Act are authorized to be included in the appropriation Act for the fiscal year preceding the fiscal year for which they are available for obligation.

(b) In order to effect a transition to the advance funding method of timing appropriation action, the authority provided by subsection (a) of this section shall apply notwithstanding that its initial application will result in the enactment in the same year (whether in the same appropriation Act or otherwise) of two separate appropriations, one for the then current fiscal year and one for the succeeding fiscal year.

JOINT FUNDING

SEC. 5. Pursuant to regulations prescribed by the President, and to the extent consistent with the other provisions of this Act, where funds are provided for a single project by more than one Federal agency to an agency or organization assisted under this Act, the Federal agency principally involved may be designated to act for all in administering the funds provided, and, in such cases, a single non-Federal share requirement may be established according to the proportion of funds advanced by each agency. When the principal agency involved is the Rehabilitation Services Administration, it may waive any grant or contract requirement (as defined by such regulations) under or pursuant to any law other than this Act, which requirement is inconsistent with the similar requirements of the administering agency under or pursuant to this Act.

CONSOLIDATED REHABILITATION PLAN

SEC. 6. (a) In order to secure increased flexibility to respond to the varying needs and local conditions within the State, and in order to permit more effective and interrelated planning and operation of its rehabilitation programs, the State may submit a consolidated rehabilitation plan which includes the State's plan under section 101(a) of this Act and its program for persons with developmental disabilities under the Development Disabilities Services and Facilities Construction Amendments of 1970: *Provided*, That the agency administering such State's program under such Act concurs in the submission of such a consolidated rehabilitation plan.

(b) Such a consolidated rehabilitation plan must comply with, and be administered in accordance with, all the requirements of this Act and the Developmental Disabilities Services and Facilities Construction Amendments of 1970. If the Secretary finds that all such requirements are satisfied, he may approve the plan to serve in all respects as the substitute for the separate plans which would otherwise be required with respect to each of the programs included therein, or he may advise the State to submit separate plans for such programs.

(c) Findings of noncompliance in the administration of an approved consolidated rehabilitation plan, and any reduction, suspensions, or terminations of assistance as a result thereof, shall be carried out in accordance with the procedures set forth in subsection (c) and (d) of section 101 of this Act.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 7. For the purposes of this Act:

(1) The term "construction" means the construction of new buildings, the acquisition, expansion, remodeling, alteration, and renovation of existing buildings, and initial equipment of such buildings, and the term "cost of construction" includes architects' fees and acquisition of land in connection with construction but does not include the cost of offsite improvements.

(2) The term "criminal act" means any crime, including an act, omission, or possession under the laws of the United States or a State or unit of general local government which poses a substantial

threat of personal injury, notwithstanding that by reason of age, insanity, intoxication or otherwise the person engaging in the act, omission, or possession was legally incapable of committing a crime.

(3) The term "designated State unit" means (A) any State agency unit required under section 101(a)(2)(A) of this Act, or (B) in cases in which no such unit is so required, the State agency described in section 101(a)(B)(i) of this Act.

(4) The term "establishment of a rehabilitation facility" means the acquisition, expansion, remodeling, or alteration of existing buildings necessary to adapt them to rehabilitation facility purposes or to increase their effectiveness for such purposes (subject, however, to such limitations as the Secretary may determine, in accordance with regulations he shall prescribe, in order to prevent impairment of the objectives of, or duplication of, other Federal laws providing Federal assistance in the construction of such facilities), and may include such additional equipment and staffing as the Commissioner considers appropriate.

(5) The term "evaluation of rehabilitation potential" means, as appropriate in each case;

(A) a preliminary diagnostic study to determine that the individual has a substantial handicap to employment, and that vocational rehabilitation services are needed;

(B) a diagnostic study consisting of a comprehensive evaluation of pertinent medical, psychiatric, psychological, vocational, educational, cultural, social, and environmental factors which bear on the individual's handicap to employment and rehabilitation potential including, to the degree needed, an evaluation of the individual's personality, intelligence level, educational achievements, work experience, vocational aptitudes and interests, personal and social adjustments, employment opportunities, and other pertinent data helpful in determining the nature and scope of services needed;

(C) an appraisal of the individual's patterns of work behavior and ability to acquire occupational skill, and to develop work attitudes, work habits, work tolerance, and social and behavior patterns suitable for successful job performance, including the utilization of work, simulated or real, to assess and develop the individual's capacities to perform adequately in a work environment;

(D) any other goods or services provided for the purposes of ascertaining the nature of the handicap and whether it may reasonably be expected that the individual can benefit from vocational rehabilitation services;

(E) referral;

(F) the administration of these evaluation services; and

(G)(i) the provision of vocational rehabilitation services to any individual for a total period not in excess of eighteen months for the purpose of determining whether such individual is a handicapped individual, a handicapped individual for whom a vocational goal is not possible or feasible (as determined in accordance with section 102(c)), or neither such individual; and (ii) an assessment, at least once in every ninety-day period during which such services are provided, of the results

of the provision of such services to an individual to ascertain whether any of the determinations described in subclause (i) may be made.

(6) The term "Federal share" means 80 per centum, except that it shall mean 90 per centum for the purposes of part C of title I of this Act and as specifically set forth in section 301(b)(3); *Provided*, That with respect to payments pursuant to part B of title I of this Act to any State which are used to meet the costs of construction of those rehabilitation facilities identified in section 103(b)(2) in such State, the Federal share shall be the percentages determined in accordance with the provisions of section 301(b)(3) applicable with respect to the State and that, for the purpose of determining the non-Federal share with respect to any State, expenditures by a political subdivision thereof or by a local agency shall, subject to such limitations and conditions as the Secretary shall by regulation prescribe, be regarded as expenditures by such State.

(7)(A) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (B), the term "handicapped individual" means any individual who (i) has a physical or mental disability which for such individual constitutes or results in a substantial handicap to employment and (ii) can reasonably be expected to benefit in terms of employability from vocational rehabilitation services provided pursuant to titles I and III of this Act.

(B) Subject to the second sentence of this subparagraph, the term "handicapped individual' means, for purposes of titles IV and V of this Act, any person who (i) has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more of such person's major life activities (ii) has a record of such an impairment, or (iii) is regarded as having such an impairment. For purposes of sections 503 and 504 as such sections relate to employment, such term does not include any individual who is an alcoholic or drug abuser whose current use of alcohol or drugs prevents such individual from performing the duties of the job in question or whose employment, by reason of such current alcohol or drug abuse, would constitute a direct threat to property or the safety of others.

(8) The term "local agency" means an agency of a unit of general local government or of an Indian tribal organization (or combination of such units or organizations) which has an agreement with the State agency designated pursuant to section 101(a)(1) to conduct a vocational rehabilitation program under the supervision of such State agency in accordance with the State plan approved under section 101. Nothing in the preceding sentence of this paragraph or in section 101 shall be construed to prevent the local agency from utilizing another local public or nonprofit agency to provide vocational rehabilitation services: *Provided*, That such an arrangement is made part of the agreement specified in this paragraph.

(9) The term "nonprofit", when used with respect to a rehabilitation facility, means a rehabilitation facility owned and operated by a corporation or association, no part of the net earnings of which inures, or may lawfully inure, to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual and the income of which is exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

(10) The term "public safety officer" means a person serving the United States or a State or unit of general local government, with or without compensation, in any activity pertaining to—

(A) the enforcement of the criminal laws, including highway patrol, or the maintenance of civil peace by the National Guard or the Armed Forces,

(B) a correctional program, facility, or institution where the activity is potentially dangerous because of contact with criminal suspects, defendants, prisoners, probationers, or parolees,

(C) a court having criminal or juvenile delinquent jurisdiction where the activity is potentially dangerous because of contact with criminal suspects, defendants, prisoners, probationers, or parolees, or

(D) firefighting, fire prevention, or emergency rescue missions.

(11) The term "rehabilitation facility" means a facility which is operated for the primary purpose of providing vocational rehabilitation services to handicapped individuals, and which provides singly or in combination one or more of the following services for handicapped individuals: (A) vocational rehabilitation services which shall include, under one management, medical, psychiatric, psychological, social, and vocational services, (B) [1] testing, fitting, or training in the use of prosthetic and orthotic devices, (C) prevocational conditioning or recreational therapy, (D) physical and occupational therapy, (E) speech and hearing therapy, (F) psychological and social services, (G) evaluation of rehabilitation potential, (H) personal and work adjustment, (I) vocational training with a view toward career advancement (in combination with other rehabilitation services), (J) evaluation or control of specific disabilities, (K) orientation and mobility services to the blind, and (L) extended employment for those handicapped individuals who cannot be readily absorbed in the competitive labor market, except that all medical and related health services must be prescribed by, or under the formal supervision of, persons licensed to prescribe or supervise the provisions of such services in the State.

(12) The term "Secretary", except when the context otherwise requires, means the Secretary of Education.

(13) The term "severe handicap" means the disability which requires multiple services over an extended period of time and results from amputation, blindness, cancer, cerebral palsy, cystic fibrosis, deafness, heart disease, hemiplegia, mental retardation, mental illness, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, neurological disorders (including stroke and epilepsy), paraplegia, quadriplegia and other spinal cord conditions, renal failure, respiratory or pulmonary dysfunction, and any other disability specified by the Secretary in regulations he shall prescribe.

(14) The term "State" includes the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, and for the purposes of American Samoa and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the

[1] Public Law 95-602, because of a technical error, amended subparagraph (B) by the insertion of "psychiatric." Public Law 95-602 should have amended subparagraph (F) by the insertion of "psychiatric," before "psychological".

appropriate State agency designated as provided in section 101(a)(1) shall be the Governor of American Samoa or the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, as the case may be.

(15) The term "vocational rehabilitation services" means those services identified in section 103 which are provided to handicapped individuals under this Act.

ALLOTMENT PERCENTAGE

SEC. 8. (a)(1) The allotment percentage for any State shall be 100 per centum less that percentage which bears the same ratio to 50 per centum as the per capita income of such State bears to the per capita income of the United States, except that (A) the allotment percentage shall in no case be more than 75 per centum or less than 33⅓ per centum, and (B) the allotment percentage for the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands shall be 75 per centum.

(2) The allotment percentages shall be promulgated by the Secretary between October 1 and December 31 of each even-numbered year, on the basis of the average of the per capita incomes of the States and of the United States for the three most recent consecutive years for which satisfactory data are available from the Department of Commerce. Such promulgation shall be conclusive for each of the two fiscal years in the period beginning on the October 1 next succeeding such promulgation.

(3) The term "United States" means (but only for purposes of this subsection) the fifty States and the District of Columbia.

(b) The population of the several States and of the United States shall be determined on the basis of the most recent data available, to be furnished by the Department of Commerce by October 1 of the year preceding the fiscal year for which funds are appropriated pursuant to statutory authorizations.

AUDIT

SEC. 9. Each recipient of a grant or contract under this Act shall keep such records as the Secretary may prescribe, including records, which fully disclose the amount and disposition by such recipient of the proceeds of such grant or contract, the total cost of the project or undertaking in connection with which such grant or contract is made or funds thereunder used, the amount of that portion of the cost of the project or undertaking supplied by other sources and such records as will facilitate an effective audit. The Secretary and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access for the purpose of audit and examination to any books, documents, papers, and records of the recipient of any grant or contract under this Act which are pertinent to such grant or contract.

NONDUPLICATION

SEC. 10. In determining the amount of any State's Federal share of expenditures for planning, administration, and services incurred by it under a State plan approved in accordance with section 101,

there shall be disregarded (1) any portion of such expenditures which are financed by Federal funds provided under any other provision of law, and (2) the amount of any non-Federal funds required to be expended as a condition of receipt of such Federal funds. No payment may be made from funds provided under one provision of this Act relating to any cost with respect to which any payment is made under any other provision of this Act, except that this section shall not be construed to limit or reduce fees for services rendered by rehabilitation facilities.

APPLICATION OF OTHER LAWS

SEC. 11. The provisions of the Act of December 5, 1974 (Public Law 93-510) and of title V of the Act of October 15, 1977 (Public Law 95-134) shall not apply to the administration of the provisions of this Act or to the administration of any program or activity under this Act.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE ACT

SEC. 12. (a) In carrying out the purposes of this Act, the Commissioner may—

(1) provide consultative services and technical assistance to public or nonprofit private agencies and organizations;

(2) provide short-term training and technical instruction;

(3) conduct special projects and demonstrations;

(4) collect, prepare, publish, and disseminate special educational or informational materials, including reports of the projects for which funds are provided under the Act; and

(5) provide staff and other technical assistance to the National Council on the Handicapped.

(b) In carrying out his duties under this Act, the Commissioner may utilize the services and facilities of any agency of the Federal Government and of any other public or nonprofit agency or organization, in accordance with agreements between the Commissioner and the head thereof, and may pay therefor, in advance or by way of reimbursement, as may be provided in the agreement.

(c) The Commissioner may promulgate such regulations as he considers appropriate to carry out his duties under this Act.

(d) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such sums as may be necessary.

REPORTS

SEC. 13. Not later than one hundred and twenty days after the close of each fiscal year, the Commissioner shall prepare and submit to the President for transmittal to the Congress a full complete report on the activities carried out under this Act. *The Commissioner shall annually collect information on each client whose case is closed out in the preceding fiscal year and include the information in the report required by this section. The information shall set forth a complete count of such cases in a manner permitting the greatest possible cross-classification of data. The data elements shall include, but not be limited to, age, sex, race, ethnicity, education, type of disability, severity of disability, key rehabilitation proc-*

ess dates, earnings at time of entry into program and at closure, work status, occupation, cost of case services, types of services provided, types of facilities or agencies which furnished services and whether each such facility or agency is public or private, and reasons for closure. The Commissioner shall take whatever action is necessary to assure that the identity of each client for which information is supplied under this subsection is confidential. Such annual reports shall *also* include statistical data reflecting services and activities provided individuals during the preceding fiscal year.

EVALUATION

SEC. 14. (a) The Secretary shall evaluate the impact of all programs authorized by this Act, their general effectiveness in achieving stated goals, and their effectiveness in relation to their cost, their impact on related programs, and their structure and mechanisms for delivery of services, including, where appropriate, comparisons with appropriate control groups composed of persons who have not participated in such programs. *The Secretary shall establish and use standards for the evaluations required by this subsection. The standards shall, to the extent feasible, for all appropriate programs include standards relating to the increases in employment and earnings taking into account economic factors in the area to be served by the program and the characteristics of the handicapped individuals to be served.* Evaluations shall be conducted by persons not immediately involved in the administration of the program or project evaluated.

(b) In carrying out evaluations under this section, the Secretary shall, whenever possible, arrange to obtain the opinions of program and project participants about the strengths and weaknesses of the programs and projects.

(c) The Secretary shall annually publish summaries of the results of evaluative research and evaluation of program and project impact and effectiveness, the full contents of which shall be available to the Congress and the public.

(d) The Secretary shall take the necessary action to assure that all studies, evaluations, proposals, and data produced or developed with Federal funds shall become the property of the United States.

(e) Such information as the Secretary may deem necessary for purposes of the evaluations conducted under this section shall be made available to him, upon request by the departments and agencies of the executive branch.

(f) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such sums as may be necessary.

INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE

SEC. 15. (a) The Secretary shall [1] establish a central clearinghouse for information and resource availability for handicapped individuals which shall provide information and data regarding (1) the location, provision, and availability of services and programs for handicapped individuals, (2) research and recent medical and scientific developments bearing on handicapping conditions (and their

[1] P.L. 96-374 changed "may" to "shall."

prevention, amelioration, causes, and cures), and (3) the current numbers of handicapped individuals and their needs. The clearinghouse shall also provide any other relevant information and data which the Secretary considers appropriate.

(b) The Commissioner may assist the Secretary to develop within the Department of *Education* a coordinated system of information and data retrieval, which will have the capacity and responsibility to provide information regarding the information and data referred to in subsection (a) of this section to the Congress public and private agencies and organizations, handicapped individuals and their families, professionals in fields serving such individuals, and the general public.

(c) The office established to carry out the provisions of this section shall be known as the "Office of Information and Resources for the Handicapped".

(d) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such sums as may be necessary.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

SEC. 16. No funds appropriated under this Act for any research program or activity may be used for any purpose other than that for which the funds were specifically authorized.

TITLE I—VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES

PART A—GENERAL PROVISIONS

DECLARATION OF PURPOSE; AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 100. (a) The purpose of this title is to authorize grants to assist States to meet the current and future needs of handicapped individuals, so that such individuals may prepare for and engage in gainful employment to the extent of their capabilities.

(b)(1)(A) For the purpose of making grants to States under part B of this title (other than grants under section 112) to assist them in meeting the costs of vocational rehabilitation services provided in accordance with State plans under section 101, there is authorized to be appropriated $1,037,800,000 for the fiscal year 1984, and the amount determined under subsection (c) for each of the fiscal years 1985, 1986, and 1987.

(B) In addition, there are authorized to be appropriated for such purpose such additional sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1985 and 1986. Any amount appropriated pursuant to this subparagraph shall be allocated in accordance with section 110(a)(4).

(C) In no event may the amount appropriated for the purpose of making grants to States under part B of this title (other than section 112) be more than $1,117,500,000 for the fiscal year 1985 and $1,203,200,000 for the fiscal year 1986.

(2) For the purpose of allotments under section 120(a)(1), there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1984, 1985, and 1986.

There are further authorized to be appropriated for such purpose for each such year such additional sums as the Congress may determine to be necessary.

(3) For the purpose of making grants to Indian tribes under part D of this title, there are authorized to be appropriated for *each of the fiscal years 1984, 1985, and 1986,* in addition to any other amounts authorized to be appropriated under this section, such sums as may be necessary for such fiscal year, but not more than an amount equal to 1 percent of the amount appropriated for that fiscal year under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(c)(1) No later than November 15 of each fiscal year (beginning with the fiscal year 1979), the Secretary of Labor shall publish in the Federal Register the percentage change in the price index published for October of the preceding fiscal year and October of the fiscal year in which such publication is made.

(2)(A) If in any fiscal year the percentage change published under paragraph (1) indicates an increase in the price index, then the amount authorized to be appropriated under subsection (b)(1) for the subsequent fiscal year is the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year in which the publication is made under paragraph (1) increased by such percentage change.

(B) If in any fiscal year the percentage change published under paragraph (1) does not indicate an increase in the price index, then the amount authorized to be appropriated under subsection (b)(1) for the subsequent fiscal year is the amount authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year in which the publication is made under paragraph (1).

(3) For purposes of this subsection, the term "price index" means the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, published monthly by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

(d)(1) Unless the Congress in the regular session which ends prior to the beginning of the terminal fiscal year—

"(A) of the authorization of appropriations for the program authorized by the State grant program under part B of this title; or

"(B) of the duration of the program authorized by the State grant program under part B of this title;

either—

"(i) has passed or has formally rejected legislation which would have the effect of extending the authorization or duration (as the case may be) of that program; or

"(ii) by action of either the House of Representatives or the Senate, approves a resolution stating that the provisions of this section shall no longer apply to such program;

such authorization or duration is automatically extended for one additional fiscal year for the program authorized by this title. The amount appropriated for the additional year shall be the amount which the Congress could, under the terms of the law for which the appropriation is made, have appropriated based upon the amount authorized for fiscal year 1986 and the amount authorized under subsection (c).

"(2)(A) For the purposes of subdivision (i) of paragraph (1), the Congress shall not have been deemed to have passed legislation unless such legislation becomes law.

"(B) In any case where the Commissioner is required under an applicable statute to carry out certain acts or make certain determinations which are necessary for the continuation of the program authorized by this title, if such acts or determinations are required during the terminal year of such program, such acts and determinations shall be required during any fiscal year in which that part of paragraph (1) of this subsection which follows subdivision (ii) of paragraph (1) is in operation."

STATE PLANS

SEC. 101. (a) In order to be eligible to participate in programs under this title, a State shall submit to the Commissioner a State plan for vocational rehabilitation services for a three-year period and, upon request of the Commissioner, shall make such annual revisions in the plan as may be necessary. Each such plan shall—

(1)(A) designate a State agency as the sole State agency to administer the plan, or to supervise its administration by a local agency, except that (i) where under the State's law the State agency for the blind or other agency which provides assistance or services to the adult blind, is authorized to provide vocational rehabilitation services to such individuals, such agency may be designated as the sole State agency to administer the part of the plan under which vocational rehabilitation services are provided for the blind (or to supervise the administration of such part by a local agency) and a separate State agency may be designated as the sole State agency with respect to the rest of the State plan, and (ii) the Commissioner, upon the request of a State, may authorize such agency to share funding and administrative responsibility with another agency of the State or with a local agency in order to permit such agencies to carry out a joint program to provide services to handicapped individuals, and may waive compliance with respect to vocational rehabilitation services furnished under such programs with the requirement of clause (4) of this subsection that the plan be in effect in all political subdivisions of that State;

(B) provide that the State agency so designated to administer or supervise the administration of the State plan, or (if there are two State agencies designated under subclause (A) of this clause) to supervise or administer the part of the State plan that does not relate to services for the blind, shall be (i) a State agency primarily concerned with vocational rehabilitation, or vocational and other rehabilitation, of handicapped individuals, (ii) the State agency administering or supervising the administration of education or vocational education in the State, or (iii) a State agency which includes at least two other major organizational units each of which administers one or more of the major public education, public health, public welfare, or labor programs of the State;

(2) provide, except in the case of agencies described in clause (1)(B)(i)—

(A) that the State agency designated pursuant to paragraph (1) (or each State agency if two are so designated) shall include a vocational rehabilitation bureau, division, or other organizational unit which (i) is primarily concerned with vocational rehabilitation, or vocational and other rehabilitation, of handi-

capped individuals, and is responsible for the vocational rehabilitation program of such State agency, (ii) has a full-time director, and (iii) has a staff employed on such rehabilitation work of such organizational unit all or substantially all of whom are employed full time on such work; and

(B)(i) that such unit shall be located at an organizational level and shall have an organizational status within such State agency comparable to that of other major organizational units of such agency, or (ii) in the case of an agency described in clause (1)(B)(ii), either that such unit shall be so located and have such status, or that the director of such unit shall be the executive officer of such State agency; except that, in the case of a State which has designated only one State agency pursuant to clause (1) of this subsection, such State may, if it so desires, assign responsibility for the part of the plan under which vocational rehabilitation services are provided for the blind to one organizational unit of such agency, and assign responsibility for the rest of the plan to another organizational unit of such agency, with the provisions of this clause applying separately to each of such units;

(3) provide for financial participation by the State, or if the State so elects, by the State and local agencies to meet the amount of the non-Federal share;

(4) provide that the plan shall be in effect in all political subdivisions, except that in the case of any activity which, in the judgment of the Commissioner, is likely to assist in promoting the vocational rehabilitation of substantially larger numbers of handicapped individuals or groups of handicapped individuals the Commissioner may waive compliance with the requirement herein that the plan be in effect in all political subdivisions of the State to the extent and for such period as may be provided in accordance with regulations prescribed by him, but only if the non-Federal share of the cost of such vocational rehabilitation services is met from funds made available by a local agency (including, to the extent permitted by such regulations, funds contributed to such agency by a private agency, organization, or individual);

(5)(A) contain the plans, policies, and methods to be followed in carrying out the State plan and in its administration and supervision, including a description of the method to be used to expand and improve services to handicapped individuals with the most severe handicaps and a description of the method to be used to utilize existing rehabilitation facilities to the maximum extent feasible; and, in the event that vocational rehabilitation services cannot be provided to all eligible handicapped individuals who apply for such services, show (i) the order to be followed in selecting individuals to whom vocational rehabilitation services will be provided and (ii) the outcomes and service goals and the time within which they may be achieved, for the rehabilitation of such individuals, which order of selection for the provision of vocational rehabilitation services shall be determined on the basis of serving first those individuals with the most severe handicaps and shall be consistent with priorities in such order of selection so determined, and outcome and service goals for serving handicapped individuals, established in regulations prescribed by the Commissioner; and

(B) provide satisfactory assurances to the Commissioner that the State has studied and considered a broad variety of means for providing services to individuals with the most severe handicaps;

(6)(A) provide for such methods of administration, other than methods relating to the establishment and maintenance of personnel standards, as are found by the Commissioner to be necessary for the proper and efficient administration of the plan (including a requirement that the State agency and facilities in receipt of assistance under this title shall take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified handicapped individuals covered under, and on the same terms and conditions as set forth in, section 503); and

(B) provide satisfactory assurances that facilities used in connection with the delivery of services assisted under the plan will comply with the Act of August 12, 1968, commonly known as the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968;

(7) contain (A) provisions relating to the establishment and maintenance of personnel standards, which are consistent with any State licensure laws and regulations, including provisions relating to the tenure, selection, appointment, and qualifications of personnel, (B) provisions relating to the establishment and maintenance of minimum standards governing the facilities and personnel utilized in and the provision of vocational rehabilitation services, but the Commissioner shall exercise no authority with respect to the selection, method of selection, tenure of office, or compensation of any individual employed in accordance with such provision, and (C) provisions relating to the establishment and maintenance of minimum standards to assure the availability of personnel, to the maximum extent feasible, trained to communicate in the client's native language or mode of communication;

(8) provide, at a minimum, for the provision of the vocational rehabilitation services specified in clauses (1) through (3) of subsection (a) of section 103, and the remainder of such services specified in such section after full consideration of eligibility for similar benefits under any other program, except that, in the case of the vocational rehabilitation services specified in clauses (4) and (5) of subsection (a) of such section, such consideration shall not be required where it would delay the provision of such services to any individual;

(9) provide that (A) an individualized written rehabilitation program meeting the requirements of section 102 will be developed for each handicapped individual eligible for vocational rehabilitation services under this Act, (B) such services will be provided under the plan in accordance with such program, and (C) records of the characteristics of each applicant will be kept, specifying, as to those individuals who apply for services under this title and are determined not to be eligible therefor, the reasons for such determinations in such detail as required by the Commissioner in order for him to analyze and evaluate annually the reasons for and numbers of such ineligibility determinations as part of his responsibilities under section 13, and that the State agency will at least annually categorize and analyze such reasons and numbers and report this information to the Commissioner and will, not later than 12 months after each such determination, review each such ineligibil-

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ity determination in accordance with the criteria set forth in section 102;

(10) provide that the State agency will make such reports in such form, containing such information (including the data described in subclause (C) of clause (9) of this subsection, periodic estimates of the population of handicapped individuals eligible for services under this Act in such State, specifications of the number of such individuals who will be served with funds provided under this Act and the outcomes and service goals to be achieved for such individuals in each priority category specified in accordance with clause (5) of this subsection, and the service costs for each such category), and at such time as the Commissioner may require to carry out his functions under this title, and comply with such provisions as he may find necessary to assure the correctness and verification of such reports;

(11) provide for entering into cooperative arrangements with, and the utilization of the services and facilities of, the State agencies administering the State's public assistance programs, other programs for handicapped individuals, veterans programs, manpower programs, and public employment offices, and the Social Security Administration of the Department of *Health and Human Services*, the Veterans' Administration, and other Federal, State, and local public agencies providing services related to the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals (specifically including arrangements for the coordination of services to individuals eligible for services under this Act, the Education of the Handicapped Act, and the Vocational Education Act);

(12)(A) provide satisfactory assurances to the Commissioner that, in the provision of vocational rehabilitation services, maximum utilization shall be made of public or other vocational or technical training facilities or other appropriate resources in the community; and

(B) provide (as appropriate) for entering into agreements with the operators of rehabilitation facilities for the provision of services for the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals;

(13)(A) provide that vocational rehabilitation services provided under the State plan shall be available to any civil employee of the United States disabled while in the performance of his duty on the same terms and conditions as apply to other persons, and

(B) provide that special considerations will be given to the rehabilitation under this Act of a handicapped individual whose handicapping condition arises from a disability sustained in the line of duty while such individual was performing as a public safety officer and the proximate cause of such disability was a criminal act, apparent criminal act, or hazardous condition resulting directly from the officer's performance of duties in direct connection with the enforcement, execution, and administration of law or fire prevention, firefighting, or related public safety activities;

(14) provide that no residence requirement will be imposed which excludes from services under the plan any individual who is present in the State;

(15) provide for continuing statewide studies of the needs of handicapped individuals and how these needs may be most effectively met (including the capacity and condition of rehabilitation

facilities, plans for improving such facilities, and policies for the use thereof by the State agency); and review of the efficacy of the criteria employed with respect to ineligibility determinations described in subclause (C) of clause (9) of this subsection with a view toward the relative need for services to significant segments of the population of handicapped individuals and the need for expansion of services to those individuals with the most severe handicaps;

(16) provide for (A) periodic review and reevaluation of the status of handicapped individuals placed in extended employment in rehabilitation facilities (including workshops) to determine the feasibility of their employment, or training for employment, in the competitive labor market, and (B) maximum efforts to place such individuals in such employment or training whenever it is determined to be feasible;

(17) provide that where such State plan includes provisions for the construction of rehabilitation facilities—

(A) the Federal share of the cost of construction thereof for a fiscal year will not exceed an amount equal to 10 per centum of the State's allotment for such year,

(B) the provision of section 306 shall be applicable to such construction and such provisions shall be deemed to apply to such construction, and

(C) there shall be compliance with regulations the Commissioner shall prescribe designed to assure that no State will reduce its efforts in providing other vocational rehabilitation services (other than for the establishment of rehabilitation facilities) because its plan includes such provisions for construction;

(18) provide satisfactory assurances to the Commissioner that the State agency designated pursuant to clause (1) (or each State agency if two are so designated) and any sole local agency administering the plan in a political subdivision of the State will take into account, in connection with matters of general policy arising in the administration of the plan, the views of individuals and groups thereof who are recipients of vocational rehabilitation services (or, in appropriate cases, their parents or guardians), personnel working in the field of vocational rehabilitation, and providers of vocational rehabilitation services;

(19) provide satisfactory assurances to the Commissioner that the continuing studies required under clause (15) of this subsection, as well as an annual evaluation of the effectiveness of the program in meeting the goals and priorities set forth in the plan, will form the basis for the submission, from time to time as the Commissioner may require, of appropriate amendments to the plan;

(20) provide satisfactory assurances to the Commissioner that, except as otherwise provided in section 130, the State shall provide vocational rehabilitation services to handicapped American Indians residing in the State to the same extent as the State provides such services to other significant segments of the population of handicapped individuals residing in the State;

(21) provide that the State agency has the authority to enter into contracts with profitmaking organizations for the purpose of providing on-the-job training and related programs for handicapped individuals under part B of title VI upon a determination by such

agency that such profitmaking organizations are better qualified to provide such rehabilitation services than nonprofit agencies and organizations; and

(22) provide for the establishment and maintenance of information and referral programs (the staff of which shall include, to the maximum extent feasible, interpreters for the deaf) in sufficient numbers to assure that handicapped individuals within the State are afforded accurate vocational rehabilitation information and appropriate referrals to other Federal and State programs and activities which would benefit them.

(b) The Commissioner shall approve any plan which he finds fulfills the conditions specified in subsection (a) of this section, and he shall disapprove any plan which does not fulfill such conditions. Prior to such disapproval, the Commissioner shall notify a State of his intention to disapprove its plan, and he shall afford such State reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing.

(c)(1) Whenever the Commissioner, after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing to the State agency administering or supervising the administration of the State plan approved under this section, finds that—

(A) the plan has been so changed that it no longer complies with the requirements of subsection (a) of this section; or

(B) in the administration of the plan there is a failure to comply substantially with any provision of such plan.

the Commissioner shall notify such State agency that no further payments will be made to the State under this title (or, in his discretion, that such further payments will be reduced, in accordance with regulations the Commissioner shall prescribe, or that further payments will not be made to the State only for the projects under the parts of the State plan affected by such failure), until he is satisfied there is no longer any such failure. Until he is so satisfied, the Commissioner shall make no further payments to such State under this title (or shall limit payments to projects under those parts of the State plan in which there is no such failure).

(2) The Commissioner may, in accordance with regulations the Secretary shall prescribe, disburse any funds withheld from a State under paragraph (1) to any public or nonprofit private organization or agency within such State or to any political subdivision of such State submitting a plan meeting the requirements of subsection (a). The Commissioner may not make any payment under this paragraph unless the entity to which such payment is made has provided assurances to the Commissioner that such entity will contribute, for purposes of carrying out such plan, the same amount as the State would have been obligated to contribute if the State received such payment.

(d)(1) Any State which is dissatisfied with a final determination of the Commissioner under subsection (b) or (c) may file a petition for judicial review of such determination in the United States Court of Appeals for the circuit in which the State is located. Such a petition may be filed only within the thirty-day period beginning on the date notice of such final determination was received by the State. The clerk of the court shall transmit a copy of the petition to the Commissioner or to any officer designated by him for that purpose. In accordance with section 2112 of title 28, United States

Code, the Commissioner shall file with the court a record of the proceeding on which he based the determination being appealed by the State. Until a record is so filed, the Commissioner may modify or set aside any determination made under such proceedings.

(2) If, in an action under this subsection to review a final determination of the Commissioner under subsection (b) or (c), the petitioner or the Commissioner applies to the court for leave to have additional oral submissions or written presentations made respecting such determination, the court may, for good cause shown, order the Commissioner to provide within thirty days an additional opportunity to make such submissions and presentations. Within such period, the Commissioner may revise any findings of fact, modify or set aside the determination being reviewed, or make a new determination by reason of the additional submissions and presentations, and shall file such modified or new determination, and any revised findings of fact, with the return of such submissions and presentations. The court shall thereafter review such new or modified determination.

(3)(A) Upon the filing of a petition under paragraph (1) for judicial review of a determination, the court shall have jurisdiction (i) to grant appropriate relief as provided in chapter 7 of title 5, United States Code, except for interim relief with respect to a determination under subsection (c), and (ii) except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (B), to review such determination in accordance with chapter 7 of title 5, United States Code.

(B) Section 706 of title 5, United States Code, shall apply to the review of any determination under this subsection, except that the standard for review prescribed by paragraph (2)(E) of such section 706 shall not apply and the court shall hold unlawful and set aside such determination if the court finds that the determination is not supported by substantial evidence in the record of the proceeding submitted pursuant to paragraph (1), as supplemented by any additional submissions and presentations filed under paragraph (2).

INDIVIDUALIZED WRITTEN REHABILITATION PROGRAM

SEC. 102. (a) The Commissioner shall insure that the individualized written rehabilitation program, or the specification of reasons for a determination of ineligibility prior to initiation of such program based on preliminary diagnosis, required by section 101(a)(9) in the case of each handicapped individual is developed jointly by the vocational rehabilitation counselor or coordinator and the handicapped individual (or, in appropriate cases, his parents or guardians), and that such program meets the requirements set forth in subsection (b) of this section. Such written program shall set forth the terms and conditions, as well as the rights and remedies, under which goods and services will be provided to the individual, and, as appropriate, such specification of reasons for such an ineligibility determination shall set forth the rights and remedies, including recourse to the process set forth in subsection (b)(5) of this section, available to the individual in question.

(b) Each individualized written rehabilitation program shall be reviewed on an annual basis at which time each such individual (or, in appropriate cases, his parents or guardians) will be afforded

an opportunity to review such program and jointly redevelop and agree to its terms. Such program shall include, but not be limited to (1) a statement of long-range rehabilitation goals for the individual and intermediate rehabilitation objectives related to the attainment of such goals, (2) a statement of the specific vocational rehabilitation services to be provided, (3) the projected date for the initiation and the anticipated duration of each such service, (4) objective criteria and an evaluation procedure and schedule for determining whether such objectives and goals are being achieved, and (5) where appropriate, a detailed explanation of the availability of a client assistance project established in such area pursuant to section 112.

(c) The Commissioner shall also insure that (1) in making any determination of ineligibility referred to in subsection (a) of this section, or in developing and carrying out the individualized written rehabilitation program required by section 101 in the case of each handicapped individual, primary emphasis is placed upon the determination and achievement of a vocational goal for such individual, (2) a decision that such an individual is not capable of achieving such a goal and thus not eligible for vocational rehabilitation services provided with assistance under this part, is made only in full consultation with such individual (or, in appropriate cases, his parents or guardians), and only upon the certification, as an amendment to such written program, or as a part of the specification of reasons for an ineligibility determination, as appropriate, that the preliminary diagnosis or evaluation of rehabilitation potential, as appropriate, has demonstrated that such individual is not then capable of achieving such a goal, and (3) any such decision, as an amendment to such written program, shall be reviewed at least annually in accordance with the procedure and criteria established in this section.

(d)(1) The Director of any designated State unit shall establish procedures for the review of determinations made by the rehabilitation counselor or coordinator under this section, upon the request of a handicapped individual (or, in appropriate cases, his parents or guardians). Such procedures shall include a requirement that the final decision concerning the review of any such determination be made in writing by the Director. The Director may not delegate his responsibility to make any such final decision to any other officer or employee of the designated State unit.

(2) Any handicapped individual (or, in appropriate cases, his parent or guardian) who is not satisfied with the final decision made under paragraph (1) by the Director of the designated State unit may request the Secretary to review such decision. Upon such request the Secretary shall conduct such a review and shall make recommendations to the Director as to the appropriate disposition of the matter. The Secretary may not delegate his responsibilities under this paragraph to any officer of the Department of *Education* who is employed at a position below that of an Assistant Secretary.

SCOPE OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES

SEC. 103. (a) Vocational rehabilitation services provided under this Act are any goods or services necessary to render a handicapped individual employable, including, but not limited to, the following:

(1) evaluation of rehabilitation potential, including diagnostic and related services, incidental to the determination of eligibility for, and the nature and scope of, services to be provided, including, where appropriate, examination by a physician skilled in the diagnosis and treatment of mental or emotional disorders, or by a licensed psychologist in accordance with State laws and regulations, or both;

(2) counseling, guidance, referral, and placement services for handicapped individuals, including followup, follow-along, and other postemployment services necessary to assist such individuals to maintain their employment and services designed to help handicapped individuals secure needed services from other agencies, where such services are not available under this Act;

(3) vocational and other training services for handicapped individuals, which shall include personal and vocational adjustment, books, or other training materials, and services to the families of such individuals as are necessary to the adjustment or rehabilitation of such individuals: *Provided*, That no training services in institutions of higher education shall be paid for with funds under this title unless maximum efforts have been made to secure grant assistance, in whole or in part, from other sources to pay for such training;

(4) physical and mental restoration services, including, but not limited to, (A) corrective surgery or therapeutic treatment necessary to correct or substantially modify a physical or mental condition which is stable or slowly progressive and constitutes a substantial handicap to employment, but is of such nature that such correction or modification may reasonably be expected to eliminate or substantially reduce the handicap within a reasonable length of time, (B) necessary hospitalization in connection with surgery or treatment, (C) prosthetic and orthotic devices, (D) eyeglasses and visual services as prescribed by a physician skilled in the diseases of the eye or by an optometrist, whichever the individual may select, (E) special services (including transplantation and dialysis), artificial kidneys, and supplies necessary for the treatment of individuals suffering from end-stage renal disease, and (F) diagnosis and treatment for mental and emotional disorders by a physician or licensed psychologist in accordance with State licensure laws;

(5) maintenance, not exceeding the estimated cost of subsistence, during rehabilitation;

(6) interpreter services for deaf indivduals, and reader services for those individuals determined to be blind after an examination by a physician skilled in the disease of the eye or by an optometrist, whichever the individual may select;

(7) recruitment and training services for handicapped individuals to provide them with new employment opportunities in the fields of rehabilitation, health, welfare, public safety, and law enforcement, and other appropriate service employment;

(8) rehabilitation teaching services and orientation and mobility services for the blind;

(9) occupational licenses, tools, equipment, and initial stocks and supplies;

(10) transportation in connection with the rendering of any vocational rehabilitation service; and

(11) telecommunications, sensory, and other technological aids and devices.

(b) Vocational rehabilitation services, when provided for the benefit of groups of individuals, may also include the following:

(1) in the case of any type of small business operated by individuals with the most severe handicaps the operation of which can be improved by management services and supervision provided by the State agency, the provision of such services and supervision, along or together with the acquisition by the State agency of vending facilities or other equipment and initial stocks and supplies;

(2) the construction or establishment of public or nonprofit rehabilitation facilities and the provision of other facilities and services (including services offered at rehabilitation facilities) which promise to contribute substantially to the rehabilitation of a group of individuals but which are not related directly to the individualized rehabilitation written program of any one handicapped individual;

(3) the use of existing telecommunications systems (including telephone, television, satellite, radio, and other similar systems) which has the potential for substantially improving service delivery methods, and the development of appropriate programming to meet the particular needs of handicapped individuals; and

(4) the use of services providing recorded material for the blind and captioned films or video cassettes for the deaf.

NON-FEDERAL SHARE FOR CONSTRUCTION

SEC. 104. For the purpose of determining the amount of payments to States for carrying out part B of this title, the non-Federal share, subject to such limitations and conditions as may be prescribed in regulations by the Commissioner, shall include contributions of funds made by any private agency, organization, or individual to a State or local agency to assist in meeting the costs of construction or establishment of a public or nonprofit rehabilitation facility, which would be regarded as State or local funds except for the condition, imposed by the contributor, limiting use of such funds to construction or establishment of a facility.

PART B—BASIC VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES

STATE ALLOTMENTS

SEC. 110. (a)(1) For each fiscal year beginning before October 1, 1978, each State shall be entitled to an allotment of an amount bearing the same ratio to the amount authorized to be appropriated under section 100(b)(1) for allotment under this section as the product of (A) the population of the State, and (B) the square of its allotment percentage, bears to the sum of the corresponding products for all the States.

(2)(A) For each fiscal year beginning on or after October 1, 1978, each State shall be entitled to an allotment in an amount equal to the amount such State received under paragraph (1) for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978, and an additional amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (B) of this paragraph.

(B) For each fiscal year beginning on or after October 1, 1978, each State shall be entitled to an allotment, from any amount authorized to be appropriated for such fiscal year under section 100(b)(1)(*A*) for allotment under this section in excess of the amount appropriated under section 100(b)(1)(*A*) for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978, in an amount equal to the sum of—

(i) an amount bearing the same ratio to 50 percent of such excess amount as the product of the population of the State and the square of its allotment percentage bears to the sum of the corresponding products for all the States; and

(ii) an amount bearing the same ratio to 50 percent of such excess amount as the product of the population of the State and its allotment percentage bears to the sum of the corresponding products for all the States.

(3) The sum of the payment to any State (other than Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands) under this subsection for any fiscal year which is less than one-third of 1 percent of the amount appropriated under section 100(b)(1)(*A*), or $3,000,000, whichever is greater, shall be increased to that amount, the total of the increases thereby required being derived by proportionately reducing the allotment to each of the remaining such States under this subsection, but with such adjustments as may be necessary to prevent the sum of the allotments made under this subsection to any such remaining State from being thereby reduced to less than that amount.

(4) For each fiscal year beginning on or after October 1, 1984, for which any amount is appropriated pursuant to section 100(b)(1)(B), each State shall receive an allocation (from such appropriated amount) in addition to the allotment to which such State is entitled under paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection. Such additional allocation shall be an amount which bears the same ratio to the amount so appropriated as that State's allotment under paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection bears to the sum of such allotments of all the States.

(b)(1) If the payment to a State under section 111(a) for a fiscal year is less than the total payments such State received under section 2 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act for the fiscal year

ending June 30, 1973, such State shall be entitled to an additional payment (subject to the same terms and conditions applicable to other payments under this part) equal to the difference between such payment under section 111(a) and the amount so received by it.

(2) If a State receives as its Federal share under section 111(a) for any fiscal year, as a result of the maintenance of effort provisions of such section, less than 80 percent of the expenditure of such State for vocational rehabilitation services under the plan for such State approved under section 101 (including any amount expended by such State for the administration of the State plan but excluding any amount expended by such State from non-Federal sources for construction under such plan), such State shall be entitled to an additional payment for such fiscal year, subject to the same terms and conditions applicable to other payments under this part, equal to the difference between such payment under section 111(a) and an amount equal to 80 percent of such expenditure for vocational rehabilitation services.

(3) Any payment attributable to the additional payment to a State under this subsection shall be made only from appropriations specifically made to carry out this subsection, and such additional appropriations are hereby authorized.

(c) Whenever the Commissioner determines, after reasonable opportunity for the submission to him of comments by the State agency administering or supervising the program established under this title, that any payment of an allotment to a State under section 111(a) for any fiscal year will not be utilized by such State in carrying out the purposes of this title, he shall make such amount available for carrying out the purposes of this title to one or more other States to the extent he determines such other State will be able to use such additional amount during such year for carrying out such purposes. Any amount made available to a State for any fiscal year pursuant to the preceding sentence shall, for the purposes of this part, be regarded as an increase of such State's allotment (as determined under the preceding provisions of this section) for such year.

PAYMENTS TO STATES

SEC. 111. (a) From each State's allotment under this part for any fiscal year (including any additional payment to it under section 110(b), the Commissioner shall pay to such State an amount equal to the Federal share of the cost of vocational rehabilitation services under the plan for such State approved under section 101, including expenditures for the administration of the State plan, except that the total of such payments to such State for such fiscal year may not exceed its allotment under subsection (a) (and its additional payment under subsection (b), if any) of section 110 for such year and such payments shall not be made in an amount which would result in a violation of the provisions of the State plan required by clause (17) of section 101(a), and except that the amount otherwise payable to such State for such year under this section shall be reduced by the amount (if any) by which expenditures from non-Federal sources during such year under this title are less than expend-

itures under the State plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972, under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act.

(b) The method of computing and paying amounts pursuant to subsection (a) shall be as follows:

(1) The Commissioner shall, prior to the beginning of each calendar quarter or other period prescribed by him, estimate the amount to be paid to each State under the provisions of such subsection for such period, such estimate to be based on such records of the State and information furnished by it, and such other investigation, as the Commissioner may find necessary.

(2) The Commissioner shall pay, from the allotment available therefor, the amount so estimated by him for such period, reduced or increased, as the case may be, by any sum (not previously adjusted under this paragraph) by which he finds that his estimate of the amount to be paid the State for any prior period under such subsection was greater or less than the amount which should have been paid to the State for such prior period under such subsection. Such payment shall be made prior to audit or settlement by the General Accounting Office, shall be made through the disbursing facilities of the Treasury Department, and shall be made in such installments as the Commissioner may determine.

CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

SEC. *112. (a) From funds appropriated under subsection (i), the Secretary shall, in accordance with this section, make grants to States to establish and carry out client assistance programs to provide assistance in informing and advising all clients and client applicants of all available benefits under this Act, and, upon request of such clients or client applicants, to assist such clients or applicants in their relationships with projects, programs, and facilities providing services to them under this Act, including assistance in pursuing legal, administrative, or other appropriate remedies to ensure the protection of the rights of such individuals under this Act.*

(b) No State may receive payments from its allotment under this Act in any fiscal year unless the State has in effect not later than October 1, 1984, a client assistance program, which—

(1) has the authority to pursue legal, administrative, and other appropriate remedies to ensure the protection of rights of handicapped individuals who are receiving treatments, services, or rehabilitation under this Act within the State; and

(2) meets the requirements of designation under subsection (c).

(c)(1) The Governor shall designate a public or private agency to conduct the client assistance program under this section. Except as provided in the last sentence of this paragraph, the Governor shall designate an agency which is independent of any agency which provides treatment, services, or rehabilitation to individuals under this Act. If there is an agency in the State which has, or had, prior to the date of enactment of the Rehabilitation Amendments of 1984, served as a client assistance agency under this section and which received Federal financial assistance under this Act, the Governor may designate an agency which provides treatment, services, or rehabilitation to handicapped individuals under this Act.

(2) In carrying out the provisions of this section, the Governor shall consult with the director of the State vocational rehabilitation agency, the head of the developmental disability protection and advocacy agency, and with representatives of professional and consumer organizations serving handicapped individuals in the State.

(3) The agency designated under this subsection shall be accountable for the proper use of funds made available to the agency.

(d) The agency designated under subsection (c) of this section may not bring any class action in carrying out its responsibilities under this section.

(e)(1)(A) The Secretary shall allot the sums appropriated for each fiscal year under this section among the States on the basis of relative population of each State, except that no State shall receive less than $50,000.

(B) The Secretary shall allot $30,000 each to American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

(C) For the purpose of this paragraph, the term "State" does not include American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

(2) The amount of an allotment to a State for a fiscal year which the Secretary determines will not be required by the State during the period for which it is available for the purpose for which allotted shall be available for reallotment by the Secretary from time to time on such dates he may fix to other States with respect to which such a determination has not been made, in proportion to the original allotments of such States for such fiscal year, but with such proportionate amount for any of such other States being reduced to the extent it exceeds the sum the Secretary estimates such State needs and will be able to use during such period; and the total of such reduction shall be similarly reallotted among the States whose proportionate amounts were not so reduced. Any such amount so reallotted to a State for a fiscal year shall be deemed to be a part of its allotment for such fiscal year.

(3)(A) The Secretary shall pay to the Governor from the allotment of the State the amount specified in the application approved under subsection (f).

(B) For the purpose of this paragraph and subsection (c), the term "Governor" means the chief executive of the State.

(f) No grant may be made under this section unless the State submits an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing or accompanied by such information as the Secretary deems necessary to meet the requirements of this section.

(g) The Secretary shall prescribe regulations applicable to the client assistance program which shall include the following requirements:

(1) No employees of such programs shall, while so employed, serve as staff or consultants of, or receive benefits of any kind directly or indirectly from, any rehabilitation project, program, or facility receiving assistance under this Act in the State.

(2) Each program shall be afforded reasonable access to policymaking and administrative personnel in the State and local rehabilitation programs, projects, or facilities.

(3) Each program shall contain provisions designed to assure that to the maximum extent possible mediation procedures are used prior to resorting to administrative or legal remedies.

(4) The agency designated under subsection (c) shall submit an annual report to the Secretary on the operation of the program during the previous year, including a summary of the work done and the uniform statistical tabulation of all cases handled by such program. A copy of each such report shall be submitted to the appropriate committees of the Congress by the Secretary, together with a summary of such reports and his evaluation of the program, including appropriate recommendations.

(h)(1) The Commissioner shall conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the client assistance program authorized by this section, and submit a report to Congress, not later than February 1, 1986.

(2) In conducting the study required by this subsection, the Commissioner shall address and report the following information for each State that received a client assistance program grant. The study shall include—

(A) the numbers of handicapped individuals assisted through the client assistance program;

(B) the handicapping conditions of the individuals assisted, and the proportion each type of individuals represents of the total population assisted;

(C) the types of services provided, cross-referenced to types of handicapped individuals assisted through each service;

(D) the type of organization or agency which administers the client assistance program;

(E) the physical proximity of the client assistance program to the State vocational rehabilitation agency; and

(F) the type of organizational structure used by the client assistance program to deliver services.

(3) In conducting the study the Commissioner shall make the following comparisons:

(A) differences in service delivery patterns in client assistance programs in urban and rural areas;

(B) differences in service delivery patterns among client assistance programs administered in various organizational settings; and

(C) differences in service delivery patterns among client assistance programs established after this reauthorization and those that were established prior to this reauthorization.

(4) The report shall include such recommendations, including recommendations for legislative proposals, as the Commissioner deems necessary.

(i) There are authorized to be appropriated $6,000,000 for the fiscal year 1984, $6,300,000 for the fiscal year 1985, and $6,700,000 for the fiscal year 1986.

PART C—INNOVATION AND EXPANSION GRANTS

STATE ALLOTMENTS

SEC. 120. (a)(1) From the sums available pursuant to section 100 (b)(2) for any fiscal year for grants to States to assist them in meeting the costs described in section 121, each State shall be entitled to an allotment of an amount bearing the same ratio to such sums as the population of the State bears to the population of all the States. The allotment to any State under the preceding sentence for any fiscal year which is less than $50,000 shall be increased to that amount, and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974, no State shall receive less than the amount necessary to cover up to 90 per centum of the cost of continuing projects assisted under section 4(a)(2)(A) of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, except that no such project may receive financial assistance under both the Vocational Rehabilitation Act and this Act for a total period of time in excess of five years. The total of the increase required by the preceding sentence shall be derived by proportionately reducing the allotments to each of the remaining States under the first sentence of this section, but with such adjustments as may be necessary to prevent the allotment of any of such remaining States from thereby being reduced to less than $50,000.

(b) Whenever the Commissioner determines that any amount of an allotment to a State for any fiscal year will not be utilized by such State in carrying out the purposes of this section, he shall make such amount available for carrying out the purposes of this section to one or more other States which he determines will be able to use additional amounts during such year for carrying out such purposes. Any amount made available to a State for any fiscal year pursuant to the preceding sentence shall, for purposes of this part, be regarded as an increase of such State's allotment (as determined under the preceding provisions of this section) for such year.

PAYMENTS TO STATES

SEC. 121. (a) From each State's allotment under this part for any fiscal year, the Commissioner shall pay to such State or, at the option of the State agency designated pursuant to section 101(a)(1), to a public or nonprofit organization or agency, a portion of the cost of planning, preparing for, and initiating special programs under the State plan approved pursuant to section 101 to expand vocational rehabilitation services, including—

(1) programs to initiate or expand such services to individuals with the most severe handicaps;

(2) special programs under such State plan to initiate or expand services to classes of handicapped individuals who have unusual or difficult problems in connection with their rehabilitation; and

(3) programs to maximize the use of technological innovations in meeting the employment training needs of handicapped youth and adults.

(b) Payments under this section with respect to any project may be made for a period of not to exceed three years beginning with the commencement of the project as approved, and sums appropri-

ated for grants under this section shall remain available for such grants through the fiscal year ending September 30, *1986*. Payments with respect to any project may not exceed 90 per centum of the cost of such project. The non-Federal share of the cost of a project may be in cash or in kind and may include funds spent for project purposes by a cooperating public or nonprofit agency provided that it is not included as a cost in any other federally financed program.

(c) Payments under this section may be made in advance or by way of reimbursement for services performed and purchases made, as may be determined by the Commissioner, and shall be made on such conditions as the Commissioner finds necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

PART D—AMERICAN INDIAN VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES GRANTS

SEC. 130. (a) The Commissioner, in accordance with the provisions of this part, may make grants to the governing bodies of Indian tribes located on Federal and State reservations to pay 90 percent of the costs of vocational rehabilitation services for handicapped American Indians residing on such reservations.

(b)(1) No grant may be made under this part for any fiscal year unless an application therefor has been submitted to and approved by the Commissioner. The Commissioner may not approve an application unless the application—

(A) is made at such time, in such manner, and contains such information as the Commissioner may require;

(B) contains assurances that the rehabilitation services provided under this part to handicapped American Indians residing on a reservation in a State shall be, to the maximum extent feasible, comparable to rehabilitation services provided under this title to other handicapped individuals residing in the State; and

(C) contains assurances that the application was developed in consultation with the designated State unit of the State.

(2) The provisions of sections 5, 6, 7, and 102(a) of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act shall be applicable to any application submitted under this part. For purposes of this paragraph, any reference in any such provision to the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare or to the Secretary of the Interior shall be considered to be a reference to the Commissioner.

(3) Any application approved under this part shall be effective for not less than twelve months except as determined otherwise by the Commissioner pursuant to prescribed regulations. The State shall continue to provide vocational rehabilitation services under its State plan to American Indians residing on a reservation whenever such State includes any such American Indians in its State population under section 110(a)(1).

(d [1]) For the purpose of computing the allotment of any State under section 110(a), the number of American Indians residing on a

[1] No material is omitted; subsections "d" and "e" should be designated as "(c)" and "(d)".

reservation to be served by a grant under this part shall be subtracted from the population used for such State in section 110(a)(1) as follows:

(1) 33-percent of such American Indians in the first fiscal year during which such Indians are served by grants under this part;

(2) 66 percent of such American Indians in the second fiscal year during which such Indians are served by grants under this part; and

(3) 100 percent of such American Indians in the third fiscal year during which such Indians are served by grants under this part.

(e) The term "reservation" includes Indian reservations, public domain Indian allotments, former Indian reservations in Oklahoma, and land held by incorporated Native groups, regional corporations, and village corporations under the provisions of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

EVALUATION

SEC. 131. Not less than thirty months after the date of the enactment of the Rehabilitation Comprehensive Services and Developmental Disabilities Amendments of 1978, the Secretary shall submit to the Congress an evaluation of the programs conducted under this part. Such evaluation shall be conducted by persons other than persons immediately responsible for administration of such programs. Such evaluation shall include—

(1) an examination of the comparability of vocational rehabilitation services provided under this part to services provided to other handicapped individuals under section 101; and

(2) an assessment of the extent to which governing bodies of Indian tribes receiving grants under this part have made services under such grants available to all handicapped American Indians residing on reservations served by such grants.

TITLE II—RESEARCH AND TRAINING

DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

SEC. 200. The purpose of this title is to—

(1) provide for a comprehensive and coordinated approach to the administration and conduct of research, demonstration projects, and related activities for the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals, including programs designed to train persons who provide rehabilitation services and persons who conduct research, by authorizing Federal assistance in accordance with a plan for rehabilitation research developed under this title;

(2) facilitate the distribution of information concerning developments in rehabilitation procedures, methods, and devices to rehabilitation professionals and to handicapped individuals to assist such individuals to live more independently;

(3) improve the distribution of technological devices and equipment for handicapped individuals by providing financial

support for the development and distribution of such devices and equipment; and

(4) increase the scientific and technological information presently available in the field of rehabilitation.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 201. (a) There are authorized to be appropriated—

(1) for the purpose of providing for the expenses of the National Institute of Handicapped Research under section 202, other than expenses to carry out section 204, such sums as may be necessary for *fiscal year 1984, and for each of the two succeeding fiscal years; and*

(2) *for the purpose of carrying out section 204, $36,000,000 for the fiscal year 1984, $40,000,000 for the fiscal year 1985, and $44,000,000 for the fiscal year 1986.*

(b) Funds appropriated under this title shall remain available until expended.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HANDICAPPED RESEARCH

SEC. 202. (a) In order to promote and coordinate research with respect to handicapped individuals and to more effectively carry out the programs under section 204, there is established within the Department of *Education*, a National Institute of Handicapped Research (hereinafter in this title referred to as the "Institute"), which shall be headed by a Director (hereinafter in this title referred to as the "Director"). In the performance of his functions, the Director shall be directly responsible to the Secretary or to the same Under Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Department of *Education*, to whom the Commissioner is responsible under section 3(a) of this Act.

(b) The Director, through the Institute, shall be responsible for—

(1) administering the programs described in section 204;

(2) disseminating information acquired through research funded by the Institute to other Federal, State, and local public agencies and to private organizations engaged in research relating to rehabilitation or providing rehabilitation services;

(3) coordinating, through the Interagency Committee established by section 203 of this Act, all Federal programs and policies relating to research in rehabilitation;

(4) disseminating educational materials to primary and secondary schools, institutions of higher education, and to public and private entities concerning how the quality of life of handicapped individuals may be improved;

(5) conducting an education program to inform the public about ways of providing for the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals, including information relating to family care and self care;

(6) conducting conferences, seminars, and workshops (including in-service training programs) concerning research and engineering advances in rehabilitation pertinent to the problems of handicapped individuals;

(7) taking whatever action is necessary to keep the Congress fully and currently informed with respect to the implementa-

tion and conduct of programs and activities carried out under this title; and

(8) producing, in conjunction with the Department of Labor, the National Center for Health Statistics, the Bureau of the Census, the Social Security Administration, and other Federal departments and agencies, as may be appropriate, statistical reports and studies on the employment, health, income, and other demographic characteristics of handicapped individuals and disseminating such reports and studies to rehabilitation professionals and others to assist in the planning and evaluation of vocational and other rehabilitation services for the handicapped.

(c)(1) The Director of the Institute shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. *The Director shall be an individual with substantial experience in rehabilitation and in research administration.* The Director shall be compensated at the rate payable for level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of title 5, United States Code. In carrying out any of his functions under this section, the Director shall be guided by general policies of the National Council on the Handicapped established in title IV. The Director shall not delegate any of his functions to any officer who is not directly responsible to him.

(2) There shall be a Deputy Director of the Institute (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "Deputy Director") who shall be appointed by the Secretary. The Deputy Director shall be compensated at the rate provided for grade GS–17 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5, United States Code, and shall act for the Director during the absence or disability of the Director, exercising such powers as the Director may prescribe. In the case of any vacancy in the office of the Director, the Deputy Director shall serve as Director until a Director is appointed under paragraph (1). The position created by this paragraph shall be in addition to the number of positions placed in grade GS–17 of the General Schedule under section 5108 of title 5, United States Code.

(3) The Director, subject to the approval of the President, may appoint, for terms not to exceed three years, without regard to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing appointment in the competitive service, and may compensate, without regard to the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classification and General Schedule pay rates, such technical and professional employees of the Institute as the Director deems necessary to accomplish the functions of the Institute and also appoint and compensate without regard to such provisions in a number not to exceed one-fifth of the number of full-time, regular technical and professional employees of the Institute.

(4) The Director may obtain the services of consultants, without regard to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing appointments in the competitive service.

(d) The Director, pursuant to regulations which the Secretary shall prescribe, may establish and maintain fellowships with such stipends and allowances, including travel and subsistence expenses provided for under title 5, United States Code, as the Director con-

siders necessary to procure the assistance of highly qualified research fellows from the United States and foreign countries.

(e) The Director shall, pursuant to regulations which the Secretary shall prescribe, provide for scientific review of all research grants and programs over which he has authority by utilizing, to the maximum extent possible, appropriate peer review groups established within the Institute and composed of non-Federal scientists and other experts in the rehabilitation field.

(f) Not less than 90 percent of the funds appropriated under paragraph (2) of section 201(a) to carry out section 204 shall be expended by the Director to carry out such section through grants or contracts with qualified public or private agencies and individuals.

(g) The Director shall develop and submit to appropriate committees of the Congress within eighteen months after the effective date of this section a long-range plan for rehabilitation research which shall—

(1) identify any research which should be conducted respecting the problems encountered by handicapped individuals in their daily activities, especially problems related to employment;

(2) determine the funding priorities for research activities under this section and explain the basis for such priorities, including a detailed description of any new types of research recommended under this paragraph for funding; and

(3) specify appropriate goals and timetables for activities to be conducted under this section.

The plan required by this subsection shall be developed by the Director in the consultation with the Commissioner, the National Council on the Handicapped established under title IV, the *Secretary* of Education, officials responsible for the administration of the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act, the Interagency Committee established by section 203, and any other persons or entities the Director considers appropriate. Such plan shall be reviewed at least once every three years and may be revised at any time by the Director to the extent he considers necessary.

(h) In order to promote cooperation among Federal departments and agencies conducting research programs, the Director shall consult with the administrators of such programs, and with the Interagency Committee established by section 203, regarding the design of research projects conducted by such entities and the results and applications of such research.

(i)(1) The Director shall take whatever actions he considers appropriate to provide for a comprehensive and coordinated research program under this title. In providing such a program, the Director may undertake joint activities with other Federal entities engaged in research and with appropriate private entities. Any Federal entity proposing to establish any research project related to the purposes of this Act shall consult, through the Interagency Committee established by section 203, with the Director in his role of Chairman of such Committee and provide the Director with sufficient prior opportunity to comment on such project.

(2) Any person responsible for administering any program of the National Institutes of Health, the Veterans' Administration, the

National Science Foundation, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, *the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services*, or of any other Federal entity, shall, through the Interagency Committee established by section 203, consult and cooperate with the Director in carrying out such program if the program is related to the purposes of this section.

(3)(1) The Director shall make a grant to an institution of higher education for the establishment of a program of pediatric rehabilitation research at an institution of higher education.

(2) The Director shall establish, either directly or by way of grant or contract, a Research and Training Center in the Pacific Basin.

INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE

SEC. 203 (a)(1) In order to promote coordination and cooperation among Federal departments and agencies conducting rehabilitation research programs, there is established within the Federal Government an Interagency Committee on Handicapped Research (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "Committee"), chaired by the Director and comprised of such members as the President may designate, including the following (or their designees): the Director, the Commissioner, the *Secretary* of Education, the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, the Director of the National Institutes of Health, the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the Secretary of Transportation, and the Director of the National Science Foundation.

(2) The Committee shall meet not less than four times each year.

(b) The Committee shall identify, assess, and seek to coordinate all Federal programs, activities and projects, and plans for such programs, activities, and projects with respect to the conduct of research related to rehabilitation of handicapped individuals.

(c) The Committee, not later than eighteen months after the date of enactment of this section, and annually thereafter, shall submit to the President and to the appropriate committees of the Congress a report making such recommendations as the Committee deems appropriate with respect to coordination of policy and development of objectives and priorities for all Federal programs relating to the conduct of research related to rehabilitation of handicapped individuals.

RESEARCH

SEC. 204. (a) The Director may make grants to and contracts with States and public or private agencies and organizations, including institutions of higher education, to pay part of the cost of projects for the purpose of planning and conducting research, demonstrations, and related activities which bear directly on the development of methods, procedures, and devices to assist in the provision of vocational and other rehabilitation services to handicapped individuals, especially those with the most severe handicaps, under this Act. Such projects may include medical and other scientific, technical, methodological, and other investigations into the nature of disability, methods of analyzing it, and restorative techniques, including basic research where related to rehabilitation techniques or services; studies and analysis of industrial, vocational, social, psy-

chiatric, psychological, economic, and other factors affecting rehabilitation of handicapped individuals; special problems of homebound and institutionalized individuals; studies, analyses, and demonstrations of architectural and engineering design adapted to meet the special needs of handicapped individuals; and related activities which hold promise of increasing knowledge and improving methods in the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals and individuals with the most severe handicaps.

(b) In addition to carrying out projects under subsection (a) of this section, the Director may make grants to pay part or all of the cost of the following specialized research activities:

(1) Establishment and support of Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers to be operated in collaboration with institutions of higher education for the purpose of (A) providing training (including graduate training) to assist individuals to more effectively provide rehabilitation services, (B) providing coordinated and advanced programs of research in rehabilitation, and (C) providing training (including graduate training) for rehabilitation research and other rehabilitation personnel. The research to be carried out at each Center shall be determined on the basis of the particular needs of handicapped individuals in the geographic area served by the Center, and may include basic or applied medical rehabilitation research, research regarding the psychological and social aspects of rehabilitation, and research related to vocational rehabilitation. The Centers shall be encouraged to develop practical applications for the findings of their research. Grants may include funds for services rendered by such a center to handicapped individuals in connection with such research and training activities. *Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers shall include both comprehensive centers dealing with multiple disabilities and centers focused on particular disabilities. Grants to Centers need not be automatically terminated at the end of a project period and may be renewed on the basis of a thorough evaluation and peer review including site visits. Training of students preparing to be rehabilitation personnel through centers shall be an important priority. Grants may include faculty support for teaching of rehabilitation related courses of study for credit and other courses offered by the institutions of higher education affiliated with the Center.*

(2) Establishment and support of Rehabilitation Engineering Research Centers to (A) develop innovative methods of applying advanced medical technology, scientific achievement, and psychiatric, psychological, and social knowledge to solve rehabilitation problems through planning and conducting research, including cooperative research with public or private agencies and organizations, designed to produce new scientific knowledge, equipment, and devices suitable for solving problems in the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals and for reducing environmental barriers, and to (B) cooperate with State agencies designated pursuant to section 101 in developing systems of information exchange and coordination to promote the prompt utilization of engineering and other scientific research to assist in solving problems in the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals.

(3) Conduct of a program for spinal cord injury research, to include support of spinal cord injuries projects and demonstrations

established *pursuant to sections 310 and 311*, which will (A) insure dissemination of research findings among all such centers (B) provide encouragement and support for initiatives and new approaches by individual and institutional investigators, and (C) establish and maintain close working relationships with other governmental and voluntary institutions and organizations engaged in similar efforts, in order to unify and coordinate scientific efforts, encourage joint planning, and promote the interchange of data and reports among spinal cord injury investigations.

(4) Conduct a program for end-stage renal disease research, to include support of projects and demonstrations for providing special services (including transplantation and dialysis), artificial kidneys, and supplies necessary for the rehabilitation of individuals suffering from such disease and which will (A) insure dissemination of research findings, (B) provide encouragement and support for initiatives and new approaches by individual and institutional investigators, and (C) establish and maintain close working relationships with other governmental and voluntary institutions and organizations engaged in similar efforts, in order to unify and coordinate scientific efforts, encourage joint planning, and promote the interchange of data and reports among investigators in the field of end-stage renal disease. No person shall be selected to participate in such program who is eligible for services for such disease under any other provision of law.

(5) Conduct of a program for international rehabilitation research, demonstration, and training for the purpose of developing new knowledge and methods in the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals in the United States, cooperating with and assisting in developing and sharing information found useful in other nations in the rehabilitation of the handicapped individuals, and initiating a program to exchange experts and technical assistance in the field of rehabilitation of handicapped individuals with other nations as a means of increasing the levels of skill of rehabilitation personnel.

(6) Conduct of a research program concerning the use of existing telecommunications systems (including telephone, television, satellite, radio, and other similar systems) which have the potential for substantially improving service delivery methods, and the development of appropriate programing to meet the particular needs of handicapped individuals.

(7) Conduct of a program of joint projects with the National Institutes of Health, the Health Services Administration, the Administration on Aging, the National Science Foundation, the Veterans' Administration, *the Department of Health and Human Services*, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, other Federal agencies, and private industry in areas of joint interest involving rehabilitation.

(8) Conduct of a program of research related to the rehabilitation of handicapped children and of handicapped individuals who are aged sixty or older.

(9) Conduct of a research program to develop and demonstrate innovative methods to attract and retain professionals to serve in rural areas in the rehabilitation of handicapped and severely handicapped individuals.

(10) Conduct of a model research and demonstration project designed to assess the feasibility of establishing a center for producing and distributing to deaf individuals captioned video cassettes providing a broad range of educational, cultural, scientific, and vocational programing.

(11) Conduct of a model research and demonstration program to develop innovative methods of providing services for preschool age handicapped children, including the following: (A) early intervention, parent counseling, infant stimulation, early identification, diagnosis, and evaluation of severely handicapped children up to the age of five, with a special emphasis on severely handicapped children up to the age of three; (B) such physical therapy, language development, pediatric, nursing, and psychiatric services as are necessary for such children; and (C) appropriate services for the parents of such children, including psychiatric services, parent counseling, and training.

(12) Conduct of a model research and training program under which model training centers shall be established to develop and use more advanced and effective methods of evaluating and developing the employment potential of handicapped individuals, including programs which—

(A) provide training and continuing education for personnel involved with the employment of handicapped individuals;

(B) develop model procedures for testing and evaluating the employment potential of handicapped individuals;

(C) develop model training programs to teach handicapped individuals skills which will lead to appropriate employment;

(D) develop new approaches for job placement of handicapped individuals, including new followup procedures relating to such placement; and

(E) provide information services regarding education, training, employment, and job placement for handicapped individuals.

(13) Conduct of a rehabilitation research program under which financial assistance is provided in order to (A) test new concepts and innovative ideas, (B) demonstrate research results of high potential benefits, (C) purchase prototype aids and devices for evaluation, (D) develop unique rehabilitation training curricula, and (E) be responsive to special initiatives of the Director. No single grant under this paragraph may exceed $50,000 in any fiscal year and all payments made under this paragraph in any fiscal year may not exceed 5 per centum of the amount available under section 204 to the National Institute of Handicapped Research in any fiscal year. Regulations and administrative procedures with respect to financial assistance under this paragraph shall, to the maximum extent possible, be expedited.

(c) The provisions of section 306 shall apply to assistance provided under this section, unless the context indicates to the contrary.

TITLE III—SUPPLEMENTARY SERVICES AND FACILITIES

PART A—CONSTRUCTION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS

DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

SEC. 300. The purpose of this title is to—

(1) authorize grants and contracts to assist in the construction and initial staffing of rehabilitation facilities and authorize such staffing as the Commissioner deems appropriate;

(2) authorize grants and contracts to assist in the provision of vocational training services to handicapped individuals;

(3) authorize grants for special projects and demonstrations which hold promise of expanding or otherwise improving rehabilitation services to handicapped individuals, including individuals with spinal cord injuries, older blind individuals, and deaf individuals whose maximum vocational potential has not been reached, which experiment with new types of patterns of services or devices for the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals (including opportunities for new careers for handicapped individuals, and for other individuals in programs serving handicapped individuals) and which provide vocational rehabilitation services to handicapped migratory agricultural workers or seasonal farmworkers; and

(4) establish uniform grant and contract requirements for programs assisted under this title and certain other provisions of this Act.

GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF REHABILITATION FACILITIES

SEC. 301. (a) For the purpose of making grants and contracts under this section for construction of rehabilitation facilities, staffing, and planning assistance, there is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year ending before *October 1, 1986.* Amounts so appropriated shall remain available for expenditure with respect to construction projects funded or staffing grants made under this section prior to *October 1, 1987.*

(b)(1) The Commissioner is authorized to make grants to assist in meeting the costs of construction of public or nonprofit rehabilitation facilities. Such grants may be made to States and public or nonprofit organizations and agencies for projects for which applications are approved by the Commission under this section.

(2) To be approved, an application for a grant for a construction project under this section must conform to the provisions of section 306.

(3) The amount of a grant under this section with respect to any construction project in any State shall be equal to the same percentage of the cost of such project as the Federal share which is applicable in the case of rehabilitation facilities (as defined in section 645(g) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 291o(a))), in such State except that if the Federal share with respect to rehabilitation facilities in such State is determined pursuant to subparagraph (b)(2) of section 645 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 291o(b)(2)), the percentage of the cost for purposes of this section shall be determined in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Commissioner de-

signed to achieve as nearly as practicable results comparable to the results obtained under such subparagraph.

(c) The Commissioner is also authorized to make grants to assist in the staffing of any public or nonprofit rehabilitation facility constructed after the date of enactment of this section (whether or not such construction was financed with the aid of a grant under this section) by covering part of the costs (determined in accordance with regulations the Commissioner shall prescribe) of compensation of professional or technical personnel of such facility during the period beginning with the commencement of the operation of such facility and ending with the close of four years and three months after the month in which such operation commenced. Such grants with respect to any facility may not exceed 75 per centum of such costs for the period ending with the close of the fifteenth month following the month in which such operation commenced, 60 per centum of such costs for the first year thereafter, 45 per centum of such costs for the second year thereafter, and 30 per centum of such costs for the third year thereafter.

(d) The Commissioner is also authorized to make grants upon application approved by the State agency designed under section 101 to administer the State plan, to public or nonprofit agencies, institutions, or organizations to assist them in meeting the cost of planning rehabilitation facilities and the services to be provided by such facilities.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING SERVICES FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

SEC. 302. (a) For the purpose of making grants and entering into contracts under this section, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year ending before *October 1, 1986*.

(b)(1) The Commissioner is authorized to make grants to States and public or nonprofit organizations and agencies to pay up to 90 per centum of the cost of projects for providing vocational training services to handicapped individuals, especially those with the most severe handicaps, in public or nonprofit rehabilitation facilities.

(2)(A) Vocational training services for purposes of this subsection shall include training with a view toward career advancement; training in occupational skills; related services, including work evaluation, work testing, provision of occupational tools and equipment required by the individual to engage in such training, and job tryouts; and payment of weekly allowances to individuals receiving such training and related services.

(B) Such allowances may not be paid to any individual for any period in excess of two years, and such allowances for any week shall not exceed $30 plus $10 for each of the individual's dependents, or $70, whichever is less. In determining the amount of such allowances for any individual, consideration shall be given to the individual's need for such an allowance, including any expenses reasonably attributable to receipt of training services, the extent to which such an allowance will help assure entry into and satisfactory completion of training, and such other factors, specified by the Commissioner, as will promote such individual's capacity to engage in gainful and suitable employment.

(3) The Commissioner may make a grant for a project pursuant to this subsection only on his determination that (A) the purpose of such project is to prepare handicapped individuals, especially those with the most severe handicaps, for gainful and suitable employment; (B) the individuals to receive training services under such project will include only those who have been determined to be suitable for and in need of such training services by the State agency or agencies designated as provided in section 101(a)(1) of the State in which the rehabilitation facility is located; (C) the full range of training services will be made available to each such individual, to the extent of his need for such services; and (D) the project, including the participating rehabilitation facility and the training services provided, meet such other requirements as he may prescribe in regulations for carrying out the purposes of this subsection.

(c)(1) The Commissioner is authorized to make grants to public or nonprofit rehabilitation facilities, or to an organization or combination of such facilities, to pay the Federal share of the cost of projects to analyze, improve, and increase their professional services to handicapped individuals, their management effectiveness, or any other part of their operations affecting their capacity to provide employment and services for such individuals.

(2) No part of any grant made pursuant to this subsection may be used to pay costs of acquiring, constructing, expanding, remodeling, or altering any building.

LOAN GUARANTEES FOR REHABILITATION FACILITIES

SEC. 303. (a) It is the purpose of this section to assist and encourage the provision of needed facilities for programs for handicapped individuals primarily served by State rehabilitation programs.

(b) The Commissioner may, in accordance with this section and subject to section 306, guarantee the payment of principal and interest on loans made to nonprofit private entities by non-Federal lenders and by the Federal Financing Bank for the construction of rehabilitation facilities, including equipment used in their operation.

(c) In the case of a guarantee of any loan to a nonprofit private entity under this section, the Commissioner shall pay, to the holder of such loan and for and on behalf of the project for which the loan was made, amounts sufficient to reduce by 2 percent per annum the net effective interest rate otherwise payable on such loan. Each holder of a loan which is guaranteed under this section shall have a contractual right to receive from the United States interest payments required by the preceding sentence.

(d) The cumulative total of the principal of the loans outstanding at any time with respect to which guarantees have been issued, or which have been directly made, may not exceed $100,000,000.

(e)(1) The Commissioner may not approve a loan guarantee for a project under this section unless he determines that (A) the terms, conditions, security (if any), and schedule and amount of repayments with respect to the loan are sufficient to protect the financial interests of the United States and are otherwise reasonable, including a determination that the rate of interest does not exceed

such per centum per annum on the principal obligation outstanding as the Commissioner determines to be reasonable, taking into account the range of interest rates prevailing in the private market for similar loans and the risks assumed by the United States, and (B) the loan would not be available on reasonable terms and conditions without the guarantee under this section.

(2)(A) The United States shall be entitled to recover from the applicant for a loan guarantee under this section the amount of any payment made pursuant to such guarantee, unless the Commissioner for good cause waives such right of recovery. Upon making any such payment, the United States shall be subrogated to all of the rights of the recipient of the payments with respect to which the guarantee was made.

(B) To the extent permitted by subparagraph (C), any terms and conditions applicable to a loan guarantee under this section (including terms and conditions imposed under paragraph (1) may be modified by the Commissioner to the extent he considers consistent with the interests of the United States.

(C) Any loan guarantee made by the Commissioner under this section shall be incontestable (i) in the hands of an applicant on whose behalf such guarantee is made unless the applicant engaged in fraud or misrepresentation in securing such guarantee, and (ii) as to any person (or his successor in interest) who makes or contracts to make a loan to such applicant in reliance thereon unless such person (or his successor in interest) engaged in fraud or misrepresentation in making or contracting to make such loan.

(D) Guarantees of loans under this section shall be subject to such further terms and conditions as the Commissioner considers necessary to assure that the purposes of this section will be achieved.

(f)(1) There is established in the Treasury a loan guarantee fund (hereinafter in this subsection referred to as the "fund") which shall be available to the Commissioner without fiscal year limitation, in such amounts as may be specified from time to time in appropriation Acts—

(A) to enable him to discharge his responsibilities under loan guarantees issued by him under this section; and

(B) for payment of interest under subsection (c) on loans guaranteed under this section.

There are authorized to be appropriated such amounts as may be necessary to provide the sums required for the fund. There shall also be deposited in the fund amounts received by the Commissioner in connection with loan guarantees under this section and other property or assets derived by him from his operations respecting such loan guarantees, including any money derived from the sale of assets.

(2)(A) If at any time the sums in the fund are insufficient to enable the Commissioner—

(i) to make payments of interest under subsection (c); or

(ii) to otherwise comply with guarantees under this section of loans to nonprofit private entities;

he is authorized to issue to the Secretary of the Treasury notes or other obligations in such forms and denominations, bearing such maturities, and subject to such terms and conditions, as may be

prescribed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

(B) Such notes or other obligations shall bear interest at a rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, taking into consideration the current average market yield on outstanding marketable obligations of the United States of comparable maturities during the month preceding the issuance of the notes or other obligations.

(C) The Secretary of the Treasury shall purchase any notes and other obligations issued under this paragraph, and for that purpose he may use as a public debt transaction the proceeds from the sale of any securities issued under the Second Liberty Bond Act. The purposes for which securities may be issued under that Act are extended to include any purchase of such notes and obligations. The Secretary of the Treasury may at any time sell any of the notes or other obligations acquired by him under this paragraph. All redemptions, purchases, and sales by the Secretary of the Treasury of such notes or other obligations shall be treated as a public debt transaction of the United States.

(D) Sums borrowed under this paragraph shall be deposited in the fund and redemption of such notes and obligations shall be made by the Commissioner from the fund.

TRAINING

SEC. 304. (a) The Commissioner may make grants to and contracts with States and public or nonprofit agencies and organizations, including institutions of higher education, to pay part of the cost of projects for training, traineeships, and related activities designed to assist in increasing the numbers of *qualified* personnel trained in providing vocational, medical, social, and psychological rehabilitation services to handicapped individuals, including *(1)* personnel specially trained in providing employment assistance to handicapped individuals through job development and job placement services *(2) personnel specifically trained to deliver services to individuals who may benefit from receiving comprehensive services for independent living, personnel specifically trained to deliver services in client assistance program, and (3)* personnel trained in performing other functions necessary to the development of such services. *In carrying out the provisions of this subsection, the Commissioner shall, in addition to furnishing training in the services provided under this Act to rehabilitation counselors, furnish training to such counselors in the applicability of the provisions of section 504.*

(b) In making such grants or contracts funds made available for any year *shall be targeted to areas of personnel shortage which may* include projects in rehabilitation medicine, rehabilitation nursing, rehabilitation counseling, rehabilitation social work, rehabilitation psychiatry, rehabilitation psychology, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology and audiology, workshop and facility administration, prosthetics and orthotics, specialized personnel in providing services to blind and deaf individuals, specialized personnel in providing job development and job placement services for handicapped individuals, recreation for ill and handicapped individuals, and other fields contributing to the rehabilitation of handi-

capped individuals, including homebound and institutionalized individuals and handicapped individuals with limited English-speaking ability. No grant shall be made under this section for furnishing to an individual any one course of study extending for a period in excess of four years.

(c) The Commissioner shall evaluate the impact of the training programs conducted under this section, shall determine training needs for *qualified* personnel necessary to provide services to handicapped individuals, and shall develop a long-term rehabilitation manpower plan designed to target resources on areas of personnel shortage. *The Commissioner shall prepare and submit to the Congress, simultaneously with the budget submission for the succeeding fiscal year for the Rehabilitation Services Administration, a report setting forth and justifying in detail how the training funds for the fiscal year prior to such submission are allocated by professional discipline and other program areas. The report shall also contain findings on personnel shortages, how funds proposed for the succeeding fiscal year will be allocated under the President's budget proposal, and how the findings of personnel shortages justify the allocations.*

(d)(1) For the purpose of training a sufficient number of interpreters to meet the communications needs of deaf individuals, the Secretary, through the Office of Information and Resources for the Handicapped, may award grants under this section to any public or private nonprofit agency or organization to establish interpreter training programs or to provide financial assistance for ongoing interpreter training programs. Not more than twelve programs shall be established or assisted by grants under this section. The Secretary shall award grants for programs in such geographic areas throughout the United States as the Secretary considers appropriate to best carry out the purpose of this section. Priority shall be given to public or private nonprofit agencies or organizations with existing programs that have demonstrated their capacity for providing interpreter training services.

(2) No grants shall be awarded under this section unless the applicant has submitted an application to the Secretary in such form, and in accordance with such procedures, as the Secretary may require. Any such application shall—

(A) describe the manner in which an interpreter training program would be developed and operated during the five-year period following the award of any grant under this section;

(B) demonstrate the applicant's capacity or potential for providing training for interpreters for deaf individuals;

(C) provide assurances that any interpreter trained or retrained under such program shall meet such minimum standards of competency as the Secretary may establish for purposes of this section;

(D) provide assurances that (i) to the extent appropriate, the applicant shall provide for the training or retraining (including short-term and in-service training) of teachers who are involved in providing instruction to deaf individuals but who are not certified as teachers of deaf individuals, and (ii) funds for such in-service training shall be provided under this section

only through funds appropriated under the Education for All Handicapped Children Act; and

(E) contain such other information as the Secretary may require.

(e) *There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section, $22,000,000 for the fiscal year 1984, $27,000,000 for the fiscal year 1985, and $31,000,000 for the fiscal year 1986.* There are further authorized to be appropriated for each such fiscal year such additional sums as the Congress may determine to be necessary to carry out this section.

COMPREHENSIVE REHABILITATION CENTERS

SEC. 305. (a)(1) In order to provide a focal point in communities for the development and delivery of services designed primarily for handicapped persons, the Commissioner may make grants to any designated State unit to establish and operate comprehensive rehabilitation centers. The centers shall be established in order to provide a broad range of services to handicapped individuals, including information and referral services, counseling services, and job placement, health, educational, social, and recreational services, as well as to provide facilities for recreational activities.

(2) To the maximum extent practicable, such centers shall provide, upon request, to local governmental units and other public and private nonprofit entities located in the area such information and technical assistance (including support personnel such as interpreters for the deaf) as may be necessary to assist those entities in complying with this Act, particularly the requirements of section 504.

(b) No grant may be made under this section unless an application therefor has been submitted to and approved by the Commissioner. The Commissioner may not approve an application for a grant unless the application—

(1) contains assurances that the designated State unit will use funds provided by such grant in accordance with subsections (c) and (d); and

(2) contains such other information, and is submitted in such form and in accordance with such procedures, as the Commissioner may require.

(c)(1) The designated State unit may—

(A) in accordance with subsection (e) make grants to units of general purpose local government or to other public or nonprofit private agencies or organizations and may make contracts with any agency or organization to pay not to exceed 80 percent of the cost of—

(i) leasing facilities to serve as comprehensive rehabilitation centers;

(ii) expanding, remodeling, or altering facilities to the extent necessary to adapt them to serve as comprehensive rehabilitation centers;

(iii) operating such centers; or

(iv) carrying out any combination of the activities specified in this subparagraph; and

(B) directly carry out the activities described in subparagraph (A), except that not more than 80 percent of the costs of providing any comprehensive rehabilitation center may be provided from funds under this section.

(3) Funds made available to any designated State unit under this section for the purpose of assisting in the operation of a comprehensive rehabilitation center may be used to compensate professional and technical personnel required to operate the center and to deliver services in the center, and to provide equipment for the center.

(d)(1) The designated State unit may approve a grant or enter into a contract under subsection (c) only if the application for such grant or contract meets the requirements specified in paragraphs (1), (2), (4), and (5) of section 306(b) and if the application contains assurances that any facility assisted by such grant or contract shall be in reasonably close proximity to the majority of individuals eligible to use the comprehensive rehabilitation center.

(2) Any designated State unit which directly provides for comprehensive rehabilitation centers under subsection (c)(1)(B) shall use funds under this section in the same manner as any other grant recipient is required to use such funds.

(e) If within 20 years after the completion of any construction project for which funds have been paid under this section—

(1) the owner of the facility ceases to be a public or nonprofit private agency or organization, or

(2) the facility ceases to be used for the purposes for which it was leased or constructed (unless the Commissioner determines, in accordance with regulations, that there is good cause for releasing the applicant or other owner from the obligation to do so),

the United States shall be entitled to recover from the grant recipient or other owner of the facility an amount which bears the same ratio to the value of the facility (or so much thereof as constituted an approved project or projects) at the time the United States seeks recovery as the amount of such Federal funds bore to the cost of renovating the facility under subsection (c)(1)(A)(ii). Such value shall be determined by agreement of the parties or by action brought in the United States district court for the district in which such facility is situated.

(f) The requirements of section 306 shall not apply to funds allotted under this section, except that subsections (g) and (h) of such section shall be applicable with respect to such funds.

(g) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section such sums as may be necessary for *each of the fiscal years 1984, 1985, and 1986.*

GENERAL GRANT AND CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS

SEC. 306. (a) The provisions of this section shall apply to all projects approved and assisted under this title, except as otherwise provided in section 305(g).[1] The Commissioner shall insure compli-

[1] Technical error. Reference should be to 305(f).

ance with this section prior to making any grant or entering into any contract or agreement under this title, except projects authorized under section 302.

(b) To be approved, an application for assistance for a construction project, or for a project which involves construction, under this title must—

(1) contain or be supported by reasonable assurances that (A) for a period of not less than twenty years after completion of construction of the project it will be used as a public or nonprofit facility, (B) sufficient funds will be available to meet the non-Federal share of the cost of construction of the project, and (C) sufficient funds will be available, when construction of the project is completed, for its effective use for its intended purpose;

(2) provide that Federal funds provided to any agency or organization under this title will be used only for the purposes for which provided and in accordance with the applicable provisions of this section and the section under which such funds are provided;

(3) provide that the agency or organization receiving Federal funds under this title will make an annual report to the Commissioner, which the Commissioner shall submit to the Secretary for inclusion (in summarized form) in the annual report submitted to the Congress under section 13;

(4) be accompanied or supplemented by plans and specifications which have been approved by the Board established by section 502, in which due consideration shall be given to excellence of architecture and design, and to the inclusion of works of art (not representing more than 1 per centum of the cost of the project), and which comply with regulations prescribed by the Commissioner related to minimum standards of construction and equipment (promulgated with particular emphasis on securing compliance with the requirements of the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (Public Law 90–480)), and with regulations of the Secretary of Labor relating to occupational health and safety standards for rehabilitation facilities; and

(5) contain or be supported by reasonable assurance that any laborer or mechanic employed by any contractor or subcontractor in the performance of work on any construction aided by payments pursuant to any grant under this section will be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 276a—276a-5); and the Secretary of Labor shall have, with respect to the labor standards specified in this paragraph, the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Numbered 14 of 1950 (15 F.R. 3176) and section 2 of the Act of June 13, 1934, as amended (42 U.S.C. 276c).

(c) Upon approval of any application for a grant or contract for a project under this title, the Commissioner shall reserve, from any appropriation available therefore, the amount of such grant or contract determined under this title. In case an amendment to an approved application is approved, or the estimated cost of a project is revised upward, any additional payment with respect thereto may

be made from the appropriation from which the original reservation was made or the appropriation for the fiscal year in which such amendment or revision is approved.

(d) If, within twenty years after completion of any construction project for which funds have been paid under this title, the facility shall cease to be a public or nonprofit facility, the United States shall be entitled to recover from the applicant or other owner of the facility the amount bearing the same ratio to the then value (as determined by agreement of the parties or by action brought in the United States district court for the district in which such facility is situated) of the facility, as the amount of the Federal participation bore to the cost of construction of such facility.

(e) Payment of assistance or reservation of funds made pursuant to this title may be made (after necessary adjustment on account of previously made overpayments or underpayments) in advance or by way of reimbursement, and in such installments and on such conditions, as the Commissioner may determine.

(f) A project for construction of a rehabilitation facility which is primarily a workshop may, where approved by the Commissioner as necessary to the effective operation of the facility, include such construction as may be necessary to provide residential accommodations for use in connection with the rehabilitation of handicapped individuals.

(g) No funds provided under this title may be used to assist in the construction of any facility which is or will be used for religious worship or any sectarian activity.

(h) When in any State, funds provided under this title will be used for providing direct services to handicapped individuals or for establishing facilities which will provide such services, such services must be carried out in a manner not inconsistent with the State plan approved pursuant to section 101.

(i) Prior to making any grant or entering into any contract under this title, the Commissioner shall afford reasonable opportunity to the appropriate State agency or agencies designated pursuant to section 101 to comment on such grant or contract.

PART B—SPECIAL PROJECTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY SERVICES

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 310. (a) For the purpose of carrying out this part (other than section *316*), there are authorized to be appropriated *$12,900,000 for fiscal year 1984, $13,600,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $14,300,000 for fiscal year 1986.*

(b) Of the amounts appropriated for any fiscal year under subsection (a), 5 percent of such amount shall be available in such fiscal year only for the purpose of making grants under section 312. There is further authorized to be appropriated for each such fiscal year such additional amount as may be necessary to equal, when added to the amount made available for the purpose of making grants under section 312, an amount of $5,000,000 for each such fiscal year.

SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS

SEC. 311. (a) Subject to the provisions of section 306, the Commissioner may make grants to States and to public or nonprofit agencies and organizations to pay part or all of the costs of special projects and demonstrations (including related research and evaluation) for—

(1) establishing programs and, where appropriate, constructing facilities for providing vocational rehabilitation services, which hold promise of expanding or otherwise improving rehabilitation services to handicapped individuals (especially those with the most severe handicaps), including blind or deaf individuals, irrespective of age or vocational potential, who can benefit from comprehensive services;

(2) applying new types or patterns of services or devices for handicapped individuals (including programs for providing handicapped individuals, or other individuals in programs servicing handicapped individuals, with opportunities for new careers); and

(3) operating programs and, where appropriate, renovating and constructing facilities to demonstrate methods of making recreational activities fully accessible to handicapped individuals.

The Director of the National Institute of Handicapped Research may make grants to States and to public or nonprofit agencies and organizations to pay part or all of the costs of special projects and demonstrations for spinal cord injuries.

(b) Any project or demonstration assisted by a grant under this section which provides services to individuals with spinal cord injuries shall—

(1) establish, on an appropriate regional basis, a multidisciplinary system of providing vocational and other rehabilitation services, specifically designed to meet the special needs of individuals with spinal cord injuries, including acute care as well as periodic inpatient or outpatient followup and services;

(2) demonstrate and evaluate the benefits to individuals with spinal cord injuries served in, and the degree of cost effectiveness of, such a regional system;

(3) demonstrate and evaluate existing, new, and improved methods and equipment essential to the care, management, and rehabilitation of individuals with spinal cord injuries; and

(4) demonstrate and evaluate methods of community outreach for individuals with spinal cord injuries and community education in connection with the problems of such individuals in areas such as housing, transportation, recreation, employment, and community activities.

The Director of the National Institute of Handicapped Research shall coordinate each grant made under this subsection with the Commissioner.

(c)(1) The Commissioner may make grants to public and nonprofit agencies and organizations to pay part or all of the costs of special projects and demonstrations including research and evaluation for handicapped youths to provide job training and prepare them for entry into the labor force. Such projects shall be designed to demon-

strate cooperative efforts between local educational agencies, business and industry, vocational rehabilitation programs, and organizations representing labor and organizations responsible for promoting or assisting in local economic development.

(2) Services under this subsection may include—

(A) jobs search assistance;

(B) on-the-job training;

(C) job development including worksite modification and use of advanced learning technology for skills training;

(D) dissemination of information on program activities to business and industry; and

(E) followup services for individuals placed in employment.

(3) The Commissioner shall assure that projects shall be coordinated with other projects assisted under section 626 of the Education of the Handicapped Act.

MIGRATORY WORKERS

SEC. 312. The Commissioner, subject to the provisions of section 306, is authorized to make grants to any State agency designated pursuant to a State plan approved under section 101, or to any local agency participating in the administration of such a plan, to pay up to 90 per centum of the cost of projects or demonstrations for the provision of vocational rehabilitation services to handicapped individuals, as determined in accordance with rules prescribed by the Secretary of Labor, who are migratory agricultural workers or seasonal farmworkers, and to members of their families (whether or not handicapped) who are with them, including maintenance and transportation of such individuals and members of their families where necessary to the rehabilitation of such individuals. Maintenance payments under this section shall be consistent with any maintenance payments made to other handicapped individuals in the State under this Act. Such grants shall be conditioned upon satisfactory assurance that in the provision of such services there will be appropriate cooperation between the grantee and other public or nonprofit agencies and organizations having special skills and experience in the provision of services to migratory agricultural workers, seasonal farmworkers, or their families. This section shall be administered in coordination with other programs serving migrant agricultural workers and seasonal farmworkers, including programs under title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, section 311 of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, the Migrant Health Act, and the Farm Labor Contractor Registration Act of 1963.

READER SERVICES FOR THE BLIND

SEC. 314. (a) The Commissioner may award grants to States or to private nonprofit agencies or organizations of national scope (as so determined by the Commissioner) to—

(1) provide reading services to blind persons who are not otherwise eligible for such services through other State or Federal programs; and

(2) expand the quality and scope of reading services available to blind persons, and to assure to the maximum extent possible

that the reading services provided under this Act will meet the reading need of blind persons attending institutions providing elementary, secondary, or post-secondary education, and will be adequate to assist blind persons to obtain and continue in employment.

Any State which receives a grant under this section shall administer the reading services for which such grant is awarded through the designated State unit of the State.

(b) No grant shall be awarded under this section unless the applicant has submitted an application to the Secretary in such form, at such time, and containing such information as the Secretary may require.

(c) For purposes of this section, the term "reading services" means—

(1) the employment of persons who, by reading aloud, can afford blind persons ready access to printed information;

(2) the transcription of printed information into braille or sound recordings if such transcription is performed pursuant to individual requests from blind persons for such services;

(3) the storage and distribution of braille materials and sound recordings;

(4) the purchase, storage, and distribution of equipment and materials necessary for the production, duplication, and reproduction of braille materials and sound recordings;

(5) the purchase, storage, and distribution of equipment to blind persons to provide them with individual access to printed materials by mechanical or electronic means; and

(6) radio reading services for blind persons.

INTERPRETER SERVICES FOR THE DEAF

SEC. 315. (a) The Commissioner may make grants to designated State units to establish within each State a program of interpreter services (including interpreter referral services) which shall be made available to deaf individuals and to any public agency or private non profit organization involved in the delivery of assistance or services to deaf individuals.

(b) No grant may be made under this section unless an application therefor is submitted to the Commissioner in such form, at such times, and in accordance with such procedures as the Commissioner may require. Such application shall—

(1) provide assurances that the program to be conducted under this section will be operated in areas within the State which are specifically selected to provide convenient locations for the provision of services to the maximum number of deaf individuals feasible;

(2) include a plan which describes, in sufficient detail, the manner in which interpreter referral services will be coordinated with the information and referral programs required under section 101(a)(22);

(3) provide assurances that the program will seek to enter into contractual or other arrangements, to the extent appropriate, with private nonprofit organizations comprised of primarily hearing-impaired individuals (or private nonprofit organiza-

tions which have the primary purpose of providing assistance of services to hearing-impaired individuals) for the operation of such programs.

(4) provide that any interpreter participating in the program shall be required to meet minimum standards established by the Commissioner; and

(5) contain such other information as the Secretary may require.

(c) Any designated State unit receiving funds under this section may provide interpreter services, without cost, for a period of not to exceed one year to any public agency or private nonprofit organization which provides assistance to deaf individuals. At the end of such period, agencies or organizations receiving such services through referrals shall reimburse the designated State unit for the costs of such services. Funds may also be used for the purchase or rental of equipment necessary to provide assistance or services to deaf individuals.

(d) Funds provided to any designated State unit for any program under this section shall not be used for any administrative or related costs, nor shall such funds be used for assistance to deaf individuals who are receiving rehabilitation services under any other provision of this Act.

SPECIAL RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

SEC. 316. (a) The Commissioner, subject to the provisions of section 306, shall make grants to State and public nonprofit agencies and organizations for paying part or all of the cost of initiation of recreation programs to provide handicapped individuals with recreational activities to aid in the mobility and socialization of such individuals. The activities authorized to be assisted under this section may include, but are not limited to, scouting and camping, 4-H activities, sports, music, dancing, handicrafts, art, and homemaking. No grant may be made under the provisions of this section unless the agreement with respect to such grant contains provisions to assure that, to the extent possible, existing resources will be used to carry out the activities for which the grant is to be made, and that with respect to children the activities for which the grant is to be made will be conducted after school.

(b) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section $2,000,000 for the fiscal year 1984, $2,100,000 for the fiscal year 1985, and $2,200,000 for the fiscal year 1986.

TITLE IV—NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HANDICAPPED

ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HANDICAPPED

SEC. 400. (a) There is established *within the Federal Government* [1] a National Council on the Handicapped (hereinafter in this

[1] Section 141(b) of P.L. 98-221, which removed the National Council from within the Department of Education, provided that all functions of the Chairman of the Council and of the Secretary of Education relating to the Council prior to the enactment of P.L. 98-122 shall be the functions of the Chairman of the independent Council. References in any statute or other official document or proceeding to the Department of Education or Secretary of Education with respect to functions or activities relating to the National Council shall be deemed to refer to the National Council or the Chairman, respectively.

title referred to as the "National Council"), which shall be composed of fifteen members appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. The members of the National Council shall be appointed so as to be representative of handicapped individuals, national organizations concerned with the handicapped, providers and administrators of services to the handicapped, individuals engaged in conducting medical or scientific research relating to handicapped individuals, business concerns, and labor organizations. At least five members of the National Council shall be handicapped individuals, or parents or guardians of handicapped individuals.

(b)(1) Members of the National Council shall be appointed to serve for terms of three years, except that of the members first appointed—

(A) five shall serve for terms of one year,

(B) five shall serve for terms of two years, and

(C) five shall serve for terms of three years,

as designated by the President at the time of appointment.

(2) Members may be reappointed and may serve after the expiration of their terms until successors have taken office.

(3) Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of such term.

(c) The President shall designate the Chairman from among the members appointed to the National Council. The National Council shall meet at the call of the Chairman, but not less often than four times each year.

(d) Eight members of the National Council shall constitute a quorum and any vacancy in the National Council shall not affect its power to function.

DUTIES OF NATIONAL COUNCIL

SEC. 401. (a) The National Council shall—

(1) establish general policies for, and review the operation of, the National Institute of Handicapped Research;

(2) provide advice to the Commissioner with respect to the policies of and conduct of the Rehabilitation Services Administration;

(3) advise the President, the Congress, the Commissioner, the appropriate Assistant Secretary of the Department of Education, and the Director of the National Institute of Handicapped Research on the development of the programs to be carried out under this Act;

(4) review and evaluate on a continuing basis all policies, programs, and activities concerning handicapped individuals and persons with developmental disabilities conducted or assisted by Federal departments and agencies, including programs established or assisted under this Act or under the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act, in order to assess the effectiveness of such policies, programs, and activities in meeting the needs of handicapped individuals;

(5) make recommendations to *the President, the Congress,* the Secretary, and the Director of the National Institute of Handi-

capped Research respecting ways to improve research concerning handicapped individuals, the administration of services for handicapped individuals, and the methods of collecting and disseminating the findings of such research, and make recommendations for facilitating the implementation of programs based upon such findings;

(6) submit not later than March 31 of each year (beginning in 1980) an annual report to the Congress, and the President, containing (A) a statement of the current status of research concerning the handicapped in the United States, (B) a review of the activities of the Rehabilitation Services Administration and the National Institute of Handicapped Research, and (C) such recommendations respecting the items described in clauses (A) and (B) as the National Council considers appropriate; *and*

(7) provide to the Congress on a continuing basis advice, recommendations, and any additional information which the Council or the Congress deems appropriate.

(b) The National Council shall—

(1) review all statutes pertaining to Federal programs which assist handicapped individuals;

(2) make a priority listing of such programs based on the number of handicapped individuals such programs assist and the Federal costs of such programs;

(3) assess the extent to which such programs provide incentives or disincentives to the establishment of community-based services for handicapped individuals, promote the full integration of such individuals in the community, in schools, and in the workplace, and contribute to the independence and dignity of such individuals;

(4) recommend to the President and the Congress legislative proposals for increasing incentives and eliminating disincentives in Federal programs based on the assessment made pursuant to clause (3); and

(5) prepare and submit a final report to the President and to the Congress not later than February 1, 1986, on the review, assessment, and recommendations required by this subsection.

COMPENSATION OF NATIONAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

SEC. 402. (a) Members of the National Council shall be entitled to receive compensation at a rate equal to the rate of basic pay payable for grade GS–18 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5, United States Code, including traveltime, for each day they are engaged in the performance of their duties as members of the National Council.

(b) Members of the National Council who are full-time officers or employees of the United States shall receive no additional pay on account of their service on the National Council except for compensation for travel expenses as provided under subsection (c) of this section.

(c) While away from their homes or regular places of business in the performance of services for the National Council, members of the National Council shall be allowed travel expenses, including

per diem in lieu of subsistence, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in the Government service are allowed expenses under section 5703 of title 5, United States Code.

STAFF OF NATIONAL COUNCIL

SEC. 403. (a)(1) The National Council may appoint, without regard to the provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing appointments in the competitive service, or the provisions of chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of such title relating to classification and General Schedule pay rates, an *Executive Director* to assist the National Council to carry out its duties. *The Executive Director shall be appointed from among individuals who are experienced in the planning or operation of programs for handicapped individuals.*

(2) The Executive Director is authorized to hire not to exceed seven technical and professional employees to assist the National Council to carry out its duties.

(b)(*1*) The National Council may procure temporary and intermittent services to the same extent as is authorized by section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code (but at rates for individuals not to exceed the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay payable for grades GS–18 of the General Schedule under section 5332 of title 5, United States Code).

(2) The National Council may—

(A) accept voluntary and uncompensated services, notwithstanding the provisions of section 1342 of title 31, United States Code;

(B) accept, in the name of the Council, employ and dispose of in furtherance of this Act, any money, or property, real or personal, or mixed, tangible or nontangible, received by gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise; and

(C) enter into contracts and cooperative agreements with Federal and State agencies, private firms, institutions, and individuals for the conduct of research and surveys, preparation of reports and other activities necessary to the discharge of the Council's duties and responsibilities.

(3) Not more than 10 per centum of the total amounts available to the National Council in each fiscal year may be used for official representation and reception.

(4) From the amount available to the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, $500,000 in fiscal year 1984 shall be transferred and made available to the National Council.

(c) The Administrator of General Services shall provide to the National Council on a reimbursable basis such administrative support services as the Council may request.

ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS OF NATIONAL COUNCIL

SEC. 404. (a) The National Council may prescribe such bylaws and rules as may be necessary to carry out its duties under this title.

needs of such individuals are being met; and (2) to consult with the *Office of Personnel Management* to assist the *Office* to carry out its responsibilities under subsections (b), (c), and (d) of this section. On the basis of such review and consultation, the Committee shall periodically make to the *Office of Personnel Management* such recommendations for legislative and administrative changes as it deems necessary or desirable. The *Office of Personnel Management* shall timely transmit to the appropriate committees of Congress any such recommendations.

(b) Each department, agency, and instrumentality (including the United States Postal Service and the Postal Rate Commission) in the executive branch shall, within one hundred and eighty days after the date of enactment of this Act, submit to the *Office of Personnel Management* and to the Committee an affirmative action program plan for the hiring, placement, and advancement of handicapped individuals in such department, agency, or instrumentality. Such plan shall include a description of the extent to which and methods whereby the special needs of handicapped employees are being met. Such plan shall be updated annually, and shall be reviewed annually and approved by the *Office*, if the *Office* determines, after consultation with the Committee, that such plan provides sufficient assurances, procedures, and commitments to provide adequate hiring, placement, and advancement opportunities for handicapped individuals.

(c) The *Office of Personnel Management*, after consultation with the Committee, shall develop and recommend to the Secretary for referral to the appropriate State agencies, policies and procedures which will facilitate the hiring, placement, and advancement in employment of individuals who have received rehabilitation services under State vocational rehabilitation programs, veterans' programs, or any other program for handicapped individuals, including the promotion of job opportunities for such individuals. The Secretary shall encourage such State agencies to adopt and implement such policies and procedures.

(d) The *Office of Personnel Management*, after consultation with the Committee, shall, on June 30, 1974, and at the end of each subsequent fiscal year, make a complete report to the appropriate committees of the Congress with respect to the practices of and achievements in hiring, placement, and advancement of handicapped individuals by each department, agency, and instrumentality and the effectiveness of the affirmative action programs required by subsection (b) of this section, together with recommendations as to legislation which have been submitted to the *Office of Personnel Management* under subsection (a) of this section, or other appropriate action to insure the adequacy of such practices. Such report shall also include an evaluation by the Committee of the effectiveness of the *activities of the Office of Personnel Management* under subsection (b) and (c) of this section.

(e) An individual who, as a part of his individualized written rehabilitation program under a State plan approved under this Act, participates in a program of unpaid work experience in a Federal agency, shall not, by reason thereof, be considered to be a Federal employee or to be subject to the provisions of law relating to Federal employment, including those relating to hours of work, rates of

(b) The National Council may hold such hearings, sit and act at such times and places, take such testimony, and receive such evidence as it deems advisable.

(c) The National Council may appoint advisory committees to assist the National Council in carrying out its duties. The members thereof shall serve without compensation.

(d) The National Council may use the United States mails in the same manner and upon the same conditions as other departments and agencies of the United States.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 405. There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this title such sums as may be necessary.

TITLE V—MISCELLANEOUS

EFFECT ON EXISTING LAW

SEC. 500. (a) The Vocational Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 31 et seq.) is repealed ninety days after the date of enactment of this Act and references to such Vocational Rehabilitation Act in any other provision of law shall, ninety days after such date, be deemed to be references to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Unexpended appropriations for carrying out the Vocational Rehabilitation Act may be made available to carry out this Act, as directed by the President. Approved State plans for vocational rehabilitation, approved projects, and contractual arrangements authorized under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act will be recognized under comparable provisions of this Act so that there is no disruption of ongoing activities for which there is continuing authority.

(b) The authorizations of appropriations in the Vocational Rehabilitation Act are hereby extended at the level specified for the fiscal year 1972 for the fiscal year 1973.

EMPLOYMENT OF HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

SEC. 501. (a) There is established within the Federal Government an Interagency Committee on Handicapped Employees (hereinafter in this section referred to as the "Committee"), comprised of such members as the President may select, including the following (or their designees whose positions are Executive Level IV or higher): the *Chairman of the Office of Personnel Management*, the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, and the Secretaries of Labor and *Education and Health and Human Services*. The Secretary of *Education and the Chairman of the Office of Personnel Management* shall serve as co-chairmen of the Committee. The resources of the President's Committees on Employment of the Handicapped and on Mental Retardation shall be made fully available to the Committee. It shall be the purpose and function of the Committee (1) to provide a focus for Federal and other employment of handicapped individuals, and to review, on a periodic basis, in cooperation with the *Office of Personnel Management*, the adequacy of hiring, placement, and advancement practices with respect to handicapped individuals, by each department, agency, and instrumentality in the executive branch of Government, and to insure that the special

compensation, leaves, unemployment compensation, and Federal employee benefits.

(f)(1) The Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of *Education* are authorized and directed to cooperate with the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped in carrying out its functions.

(2) In selecting personnel to fill all positions on the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, special consideration shall be given to qualified handicapped individuals.

ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

SEC. 502. (a)(1) There is established within the Federal Government the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") which shall be composed as follows:

(A) Eleven members shall be appointed by the President from among members of the general public of whom five shall be handicapped individuals.

(B) The remaining members shall be the heads of each of the following departments or agencies (or their designees whose positions are executive level IV or higher):

(i) Department of Health and Human Services.[1]
(ii) Department of Transportation.
(iii) Department of Housing and Urban Development.
(iv) Department of Labor.
(v) Department of the Interior.
(vi) Department of Defense.
(vii) Department of Justice.
(viii) General Services Administration.
(ix) Veterans' Administration.
(x) United States Postal Service.
(xi) Department of Education.[1]

The President shall appoint the first Chairman of such Board who shall serve for a term of not more than two years; thereafter, the Chairman shall be elected by a vote of a majority of the Board for a term of one year.

(2) The term of office of each appointed member of the Board shall be three years; except that (i) the members first taking office shall serve, as designated by the President at the time of appointment, four for a term of one year, four for a term of two years, and three for a term of three years, and (ii) any member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term for which his predecessor was appointed.

(3) If any appointed member of the Board becomes a Federal employee, such member may continue as a member of the Board for not longer than the sixty-day period beginning on the date he becomes such an employee.

(4) No individual appointed under paragraph (1)(A) of this subsection who has served as a member of the Board may be reappointed to the Board more than once unless such individual has not served

[1] P.L. 96-374 added the Department of Health and Human Services and Department of Education in place of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

on the Board for a period of two years prior to the effective date of such individual's appointment.

(5)(A) Members of the Board who are not regular full-time employees of the United States shall, while serving on the business of the Board, be entitled to receive compensation at rates fixed by the President, but not to exceed the daily rate prescribed for GS–18 under section 5332 of title 5, United States Code, including traveltime, for each day they are engaged in the performance of their duties as members of the Board; and shall be entitled to reimbursement for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in carrying out their duties under this section.

(B) Members of the Board who are employed by the Federal Government shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travel, subsistence, other necessary expenses incurred by them in carrying out their duties under this section.

(b) It shall be the function of the Board to: (1) insure compliance with the standards prescribed pursuant to the Act of August 12, 1968, commonly known as the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (including the application of that Act to the United States Postal Service) including but not limited to enforcing all standards under that Act, and insuring that all waivers and modifications of standards are based upon findings of fact and are not inconsistent with the provisions of such Act and this section; (2) investigate and examine alternative approaches to the architectural, transportation, communication, and attitudinal barriers confronting handicapped individuals, particularly with respect to telecommunications devices, public buildings and monuments, parks and parklands, public transportation (including air, water, and surface transportation whether interstate, foreign, intrastate, or local), and residential and institutional housing; (3) determine what measures are being taken by Federal, State, and local governments and by other public or nonprofit agencies to eliminate the barriers described in clause (2) of this subsection; (4) promote the use of the International Accessibility Symbol in all public facilities that are in compliance with the standards prescribed by the Administrator of the General Services Administration, the Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development pursuant to the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968; (5) make to the President and to Congress reports which shall describe in detail the results to its investigations under clauses (2) and (3) of this subsection; (6) make to the President and to the Congress such recommendations for legislation and administration as it deems necessary or desirable to eliminate the barriers described in clause (2) of this subsection; (7) establish minimum guidelines and requirements for the standards issued pursuant to the Act of August 12, 1968, as amended, commonly known as the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968; and (8) insure that public conveyances, including rolling stock, are readily accessible to, and usable by, physically handicapped persons.

(c) The Board shall also (1)(A) determine how and to what extent transportation barriers impede the mobility of handicapped individuals and aged handicapped individuals and consider ways in which travel expenses in connection with transportation to and from work for handicapped individuals can be met or subsidized when such individuals are unable to use mass transit systems or need

special equipment in private transportation, and (B) consider the housing needs of handicapped individuals; (2) determine what measures are being taken, especially by public and other nonprofit agencies and groups having an interest in and a capacity to deal with such problems, (A) to eliminate barriers from public transportation systems (including vehicles used in such systems), and to prevent their incorporation in new or expanded transportation systems and (B) to make housing available and accessible to handicapped individuals or to meet sheltered housing needs; and (3) prepare plans and proposals for such further actions as may be necessary to the goals of adequate transportation and housing for handicapped individuals, including proposals for bringing together in a cooperative effort, agencies, organizations, and groups already working toward such goals or whose cooperation is essential to effective and comprehensive action.

(d)(1) In carrying out its functions under this Act, the Board shall, directly or through grants to public or private nonprofit organizations or contracts with private nonprofit or for profit organizations, carry out its functions under subsections (b) and (c) of this section, and shall conduct investigations, hold public hearings, and issue such orders as it deems necessary to insure compliance with the provisions of the Acts cited in subsection (b). Except as provided in paragraph (3) of subsection (e), the provisions of subchapter II of chapter 5, and chapter 7 of title 5, United States Code, shall apply to procedures under this section, and an order of compliance issued by the Board shall be a final order for purposes of judicial review. Any such order affecting any Federal department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States shall be final and binding on such department, agency, or instrumentality. An order of compliance may include the withholding or suspension of Federal funds with respect to any building or public conveyance or rolling stock found not to be in compliance with standards enforced under this section. Pursuant to chapter 7 of title 5, United States Code, any complainant or participant in a proceeding under this subsection may obtain review of a final order issued in such proceeding.

(2) The Executive Director is authorized, at the direction of the Board—

(A) to bring a civil action in any appropriate United States district court to enforce, in whole or in part, any final order of the Board under this subsection; and

(B) to intervene, appear, and participate, or to appear as amicus curiae, in any court of the United States or in any court of a State in civil actions which related to this section or to the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968.

Except as provided in section 518(a) of title 28, United States Code, relating to litigation before the Supreme Court, the Executive Director may appear for and represent the Board in any civil litigation brought under this section.

(3) The Board, in consultation and coordination with other concerned Federal departments and agencies and agencies within the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, shall develop standards and provide appropriate technical assistance to any public or private activity, person, or entity affected by regulations prescribed pursuant to this title with respect overcoming to archi-

tectural, transportation, and communication barriers. Any funds appropriated to any such department or agency for the purpose of providing such assistance may be transferred to the Board for the purpose of carrying out this paragraph. The Board may arrange to carry out its responsibilities under this paragraph through such other departments and agencies for such periods as the Board determines is appropriate. In carrying out its technical assistance responsibilities under this paragraph, the Board shall establish a procedure to insure separation of its compliance and technical assistance responsibilities under this section.

(e)(1) There shall be appointed by the Board an Executive Director and such other professional and clerical personnel as are necessary to carry out its functions under this Act. The Board is authorized to appoint as many hearing examiners as are necessary for proceedings required to be conducted under this section. The provisions applicable to hearing examiners appointed under section 3105 of title 5, United States Code, shall apply to hearing examiners appointed under this subsection.

(2) The Executive Director shall exercise general supervision over all personnel employed by the Board (other than hearing examiners and their assistants). The Executive Director shall have final authority on behalf of the Board, with respect to the investigation of alleged noncompliance in the issuance of formal complaints before the Board, and shall have such other duties as the Board may prescribe.

(3) For the purpose of this section, an order of compliance issued by a hearing examiner shall be deemed to be an order of the Board and shall be the final order for the purpose of judicial review.

(f) The departments or agencies specified in subsection (a) of this section shall make available to the Board such technical, administrative, or other assistance as it may require to carry out its functions under this section, and the Board may appoint such other advisers, technical experts, and consultants as it deems necessary to assist it in carrying out its functions under this section. Special advisory and technical experts and consultants appointed pursuant to this subsection shall, while performing their functions under this section, be entitled to receive compensation at rates fixed by the Secretary, but not exceeding the daily pay rate, for a person employed as a GS–18 under section 5332 of title 45, United States Code. including traveltime, and while serving away from their homes or regular places of business they may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5703 of such title 5 for persons in the Government service employed intermittently.

(g) The Board shall, at the end of each fiscal year, report its activities during the preceding fiscal year to the Congress. Such report shall include an assessment of the extent of compliance with the Acts cited in subsection (b) of this section, along with a description and analysis of investigations made and actions taken by the Board, and the reports and recommendations described in clauses (5) and (6) of subsection (b) of this section. The Board shall prepare two final reports of its activities under section (c). One such report shall be on its activities in the field of transportation barriers to handicapped individuals, and the other such report shall be on its

activities in the field of the housing needs of handicapped individuals. The Board shall, not later than September 30, 1975, submit each such report, together with its recommendations, to the President and the Congress. The Board shall also prepare for such submissions an interim report of its activities in each such field within 18 months after the date of enactment of this Act.

(h)(1) Within one year following the enactment of this subsection, the Board shall submit to the President and the Congress a report containing an assessment of the amounts required to be expended by States and by political subdivisions thereof to provide handicapped individuals with full access to all programs and activities receiving Federal assistance.

(2) The Board may make grants to, or enter into contracts with, public or private organizations to carry out its duties under subsections (b) and (c). The Board may also make grants to any designated State unit for the purpose of conducting studies to provide the cost assessment required by paragraph (1). Before including in such report the findings of any study conducted for the Board under a grant or contract to provide the Board with such cost assessments, the Board shall take all necessary steps to validate the accuracy of any such findings.

(i) There are authorized to be appropriated for the purpose of carrying out the duties and functions of the Board under this section such sums as may be necessary for each fiscal year ending before October 1, *1986*, but in no event shall the amount appropriated for any one fiscal year exceed $3,000,000.

EMPLOYMENT UNDER FEDERAL CONTRACTS

SEC. 503. (a) Any contract in excess of $2,500 entered into by any Federal department or agency for the procurement of personal property and nonpersonal services (including construction) for the United States shall contain a provision requiring that, in employing persons to carry out such contract the party contracting with the United States shall take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified handicapped individuals as defined in section 7(7). The provisions of this section shall apply to any subcontract in excess of $2,500 entered into by a prime contractor in carrying out any contract for the procurement of personal property and nonpersonal services (including construction) for the United States. The President shall implement the provisions of this section by promulgating regulations within ninety days after the date of enactment of this section.

(b) If any handicapped individual believes any contractor has failed or refuses to comply with the provisions of his contract with the United States, relating to employment of handicapped individuals, such individual may file a complaint with the Department of Labor. The Department shall promptly investigate such complaint and shall take such action thereon as the facts and circumstances warrant, consistent with the terms of such contract and the laws and regulations applicable thereto.

(c) The requirements of this section may be waived, in whole or in part, by the President with respect to a particular contract or subcontract, in accordance with guidelines set forth in regulations

which he shall prescribe, when he determines that special circumstances in the national interest so require and states in writing his reasons for such determination.

NONDISCRIMINATION UNDER FEDERAL GRANTS AND PROGRAMS

SEC. 504. No otherwise qualified handicapped individual in the United States, as defined in section 7(7), shall, solely by reason of his handicap, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance or under any program or activity conducted by any Executive agency or by the United States Postal Service. The head of each such agency shall promulgate such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the amendments to this section made by the Rehabilitation, Comprehensive Services, and Developmental Disabilities Act of 1978. Copies of any proposed regulation shall be submitted to appropriate authorizing committees of the Congress, and such regulation may take effect no earlier than the thirtieth day after the date on which such regulation is so submitted to such committees.

REMEDIES AND ATTORNEYS' FEES

SEC. 505. (a)(1) The remedies, procedures, and rights set forth in section 717 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 US.C. 2000e-16), including the application of sections 706 (f) through 706 (k) (42 U.S.C. 2000e-5 (f) through (k)), shall be available, with respect to any complaint under section 501 of this Act, to any employee or applicant for employment aggrieved by the final disposition of such complaint, or by the failure to take final action on such complaint. In fashioning an equitable or affirmative action remedy under such section, a court may take into account the reasonableness of the cost of any necessary work place accommodation, and the availability of alternatives therefor or other appropriate relief in order to achieve an equitable and appropriate remedy.

(2) The remedies, procedures, and rights set forth in title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 shall be available to any person aggrieved by any act or failure to act by any recipient of Federal assistance or Federal provider of such assistance under section 504 of this Act.

(b) In any action or proceeding to enforce or charge a violation of a provision of this title, the court, in its discretion, may allow the prevailing party, other than the United States, a reasonable attorney's fee as part of the costs.

SECRETARIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

SEC. 506. (1) The Secretary may provide directly or by contract with State vocational rehabilitation agencies or experts or consultants or groups thereof, technical assistance—

(A) to persons operating rehabilitation facilities; and

(B) with the concurrence of the Board established by section 502, to any public or nonprofit agency, institution, or organization;

for the purpose of assisting such persons or entities in removing architectural, transportation, or communication barriers. Any concurrence of the Board under this paragraph shall reflect its consideration of the cost studies carried out by States under section 502(c)(1).

(2) Any such experts or consultants, while serving pursuant to such contracts, shall be entitled to receive compensation at rates fixed by the Secretary, but not exceeding the daily equivalent of the rate of basic pay payable for grade GS–18 of the General Schedule, under section 5332 of title 5, United States Code, including traveltime, and while so serving away from their homes or regular places of business, they may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5703 of title 5, United States Code, for persons in the Government service employed intermittently.

(3) The Secretary, with the concurrence of the Board and the President may provide, directly or by contract, financial assistance to any public or nonprofit agency, institution, or organization for the purpose of removing architectural, transportation, and communication barriers. No assistance may be provided under this paragraph until a study demonstrating the need for such assistance has been conducted and submitted under section 502(h)(2) of this title.

(4) In order to carry out this section, there are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary.

INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL

SEC. 507. There shall be established an Interagency Coordinating Council (hereinafter referred to in this section as the "Council") composed of the Secretary of *Education, the Secretary of Health and Human Services*, the Secretary of Labor, the Attorney General, the Chairman of the *Office of Personnel Management*, the Chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and the Chairman of the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board. The Council shall have the responsibility for developing and implementing agreements, policies, and practices designed to maximize effort, promote efficiency, and eliminate conflict, competition, duplication, and inconsistencies among the operations, functions and jurisdictions of the various departments, agencies, and branches of the Federal Government responsible for the implementation and enforcement of the provisions of this title, and the regulations prescribed thereunder. On or before July 1 of each year, the Council shall transmit to the President and to the Congress a report of its activities, together with such recommendations for legislative or administrative changes as it concludes are desirable to further promote the purposes of this section. Nothing in this section shall impair any responsibilities assigned by any Executive Order to any Federal department, agency, or instrumentality to act as a lead Federal agency with respect to any provisions of this title.

TITLE VI—EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

SHORT TITLE

SEC. 601. This title may be cited as the "Employment Opportunities for Handicapped Individuals Act".

PART A—COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PILOT PROGRAMS FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

ESTABLISHMENT OF PILOT PROGRAM

SEC. 611. (a) In order to promote useful opportunities in community service activities for handicapped individuals who have poor employment prospects, the Secretary of Labor (hereinafter in this part referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized to establish a community service employment pilot program for handicapped individuals. For purposes of this part, the term "eligible individuals" means persons who are handicapped individuals (as defined in section 7(7) of this Act) and who are referred to programs under this part by designated State units.

(b)(1) The Secretary may enter into agreements with public or private nonprofit agencies or organizations, including national organizations, agencies of a State government or a political subdivision of a State (having elected or duly appointed governing officials), or a combination of such political subdivisions, or tribal organizations in order to carry out the pilot program referred to in subsection (a). Such agreements may include provisions consistent with subsection (c) for the payment of the costs of projects developed by such organizations and agencies in cooperation with the Secretary. No payment shall be made by the Secretary toward the cost of any such project unless the Secretary determines that:

(A) Such project will provide employment only for eligible individuals, except that if eligible individuals are not available to serve as technical, administrative, or supervisory personnel for a project then such personnel may be recruited from among other individuals.

(B) Such project will provide employment for eligible individuals in the community in which such individuals reside, or in nearby communities.

(C) Such project will employ eligible individuals in services related to publicly owned and operated facilities and projects, or projects sponsored by organizations, other than political parties, exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, except for projects involving the construction, operation, or maintenance of any facility used or to be used as a place for sectarian religious instruction or worship.

(D) Such project will contribute to the general welfare of the community in which eligible individuals are employed under such project.

(E) Such project (i) will result in an increase in employment opportunities over those opportunities which would otherwise be available, (ii) will not result in any displacement of current-

ly employed workers (including partial displacement, such as a reduction in the hours of nonovertime work or wages or employment benefits), and (iii) will not impair existing contracts or result in the substitution of Federal funds for other funds in connection with work that would otherwise be performed.

(F) Such project will not employ any eligible individual to perform work which is the same or substantially the same as that performed by any other person who is on layoff from employment with the agency or organization sponsoring such project.

(G) Such project will utilize methods of recruitment and selection (including the listing of job vacancies with the State agency units designated under section 101(a)(2)(A) to administer vocational rehabilitation services under this Act) which will assure that the maximum number of eligible individuals will have an opportunity to participate in the project.

(H) Such project will provide for (i) such training as may be necessary to make the most effective use of the skills and talents of individuals who are participating in the project, and (ii) during the period of such training, a reasonable subsistence allowance for such individuals and the payment of any other reasonable expenses related to such training.

(I) Such project will provide safe and healthy working conditions for any eligible individual employed under such project and will pay any such individual at a rate of pay not lower than the rate of pay described in paragraph (2).

(J) Such project will be established or administered with the advice of (i) persons competent in the field of service in which employment is being provided, and (ii) persons who are knowledgeable with regard to the needs of handicapped individuals.

(K) Such project will pay any reasonable costs for work-related expenses, transportation, and attendant care incurred by eligible individuals employed under such project in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary.

(L) Such project will provide appropriate placement services for employees under the project to assist them in locating unsubsidized employment when the Federal assistance for the project terminates.

(2) The rate of pay referred to in subparagraph (I) of paragraph (1) is the highest of the following:

(A) The prevailing rate of pay for persons employed in similar occupations by the same employer.

(B) The minimum wage which would be applicable to the employee under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 if such employee were not exempt from such Act under section 13 thereof.

(C) The State or local minimum wage for the most nearly comparable covered employment.

The Department of Labor shall not issue any certificate of exemption under section 14(c) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 with respect to any person employed in a project under this section.

(c)(1) The Secretary may pay not to exceed 90 percent of the cost of any project which is the subject of an agreement entered into

under subsection (b). Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the Secretary may pay all of the costs of any such project which is (A) an emergency or disaster project, or (B) a project located in an economically depressed area, as determined by the Secretary in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce and the Director of the Community Services Administration.

(2) The non-Federal share of any project under this part may be in cash or in kind. In determining the amount of the non-Federal share, the Secretary may attribute fair market value to services and facilities contributed from non-Federal sources.

(d) Payments under this part may be made in advance or by way of reimbursement, and in such installments as the Secretary may determine.

ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 612. (a) In order to effectively carry out the provisions of this part, the Secretary shall, through the Commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration, consult with any designated State unit with regard to—

(1) the localities in which community service projects of the type authorized by this part are most needed;

(2) the employment situations and types of skills possessed by eligible individuals in such localities; and

(3) potential projects suitable for funding in such localities.

(b) The Secretary shall coordinate the pilot program established under this part with programs authorized under the Emergency Jobs and Unemployment Assistance Act of 1974, the *Job Training Partnership Act*, the Community Services Act of 1974, and the Emergency Employment Act of 1971. Appropriations under this part may not be used to carry out any program under the Acts referred to in the preceding sentence.

(c) In carrying out this part, the Secretary may, with the consent of any other Federal, State, or local agency, use the services, equipment, personnel, and facilities of such agency with or without providing such agency with reimbursement and may use the services, equipment, and facilities of any other public or private entity on a similar basis.

(d) Within one hundred and eighty days after the effective date of this part, the Secretary shall issue and publish in the Federal Register such regulations as may be necessary to carry out this part.

(e) The Secretary shall not delegate any function of the Secretary under this part to any other department or agency of the Federal Government.

PARTICIPANTS NOT FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

SEC. 613. (a) Eligible individuals who are employed in any project funded under this part shall not be considered to be Federal employees as a result of such employment and shall not be subject to the provisions of part III of title 5, United States Code.

(b) No contract shall be entered into under this part with a contractor who is, or whose employees are, under State law, exempted from operation of any State workmen's compensation law generally

applicable to employees, unless the contractor shall undertake to provide for persons to be employed under such contract, through insurance by a recognized carrier or by self-insurance authorized by State law, workmen's compensation coverage equal to that provided by law for covered employment.

(c) No part of the wages, allowances, or reimbursement for transportation and attendant care costs made available to an eligible individual employed in any project funded under this part shall be treated as income or benefits for the purpose of any other program or provision of State or Federal law, unless the Secretary makes a case by case determination that disallowance of such income or benefits is inequitable or does not carry out the purposes of this title.

INTERAGENCY COOPERATION

SEC. 614. (a) The Secretary shall consult with, and obtain the written views of, the Commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration before establishing rules or general policy in the administration of this part.

(b) The Secretary shall consult and cooperate with the Director of the Community Services Administration, the Secretary of Health *and Human Services,* and the heads of other Federal agencies carrying out related programs, in order to achieve maximum coordination between such programs and the program established under this part. Each Federal agency shall cooperate with the Secretary in disseminating information relating to the availability of assistance under this part and identifying individuals eligible for employment in projects assisted under this part.

EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF ASSISTANCE

SEC. 615. (a)(1) Preference in awarding grants or contracts under this part shall be given to organizations of proven ability in providing employment services to handicapped individuals under this program and similar programs. The Secretary, in awarding grants and contracts under this section, shall, to the extent feasible, assure an equitable distribution of activities under such grants and contracts among the States, taking into account the needs of underserved States.

(2) The Secretary shall allot for projects within each State the sums appropriated for any fiscal year under section 617 so that each State will receive an amount which bears the same ratio to such sums as the population of the State bears to the population of all the States.

(b) The amount allotted for projects within any State under subsection (a) for any fiscal year which the Secretary determines will not be required for such year shall be reallotted, from time to time and on such dates during such year as the Secretary may fix, to projects within other States in proportion to the original allotments to projects within such States under subsection (a) for such year, but with such proportionate amount for any of such other States being reduced to the extent it exceeds the sum the Secretary estimates that projects within such State need and will be able to use for such year. The total of such reductions shall be similarly

reallotted among the States whose proportionate amounts were not so reduced. Any amount reallotted to a State under this subsection during a year shall be deemed part of its allotment under subsection (a) for such year.

(c) The amount apportioned for projects within each State under subsection (a) shall be apportioned among areas within each such State in an equitable manner, taking into consideration (1) the proportion which eligible individuals in each such area bears to the total number of such individuals, respectively, in that State, and (2) the relative distribution of such individuals residing in rural and urban areas within the State.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 616. For purposes of this part—

(1) the term "community service" means social, health, welfare, and educational services, legal and other counseling services and assistance, including tax counseling and assistance and financial counseling, and library, recreational, and other similar services; conservation, maintenance, or restoration of natural resources; community betterment or beautification; antipollution and environmental quality efforts; economic development; and such other services essential and necessary to the community as the Secretary, by regulation, may prescribe;

(2) the term "pilot program" means the community service employment program for handicapped individuals established under this part; and

(3) the term "attendant care" means interpreter services for the deaf, reader services for the blind, and services provided to assist mentally retarded individuals to perform duties of employment.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 617. *There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the provisions of this part such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1984, 1985, and 1986.*

PART B—PROJECTS WITH INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

PROJECTS WITH INDUSTRY

SEC. 621. (a)(1) The Commissioner, in consultation with the Secretaries of Labor and Commerce and with designated State units, may enter into agreements with individual employers, *designated State units* and other entities to establish jointly financed projects which—

(A) shall provide handicapped individuals with training and employment in a realistic work setting in order to prepare them for employment in the competitive market;

(B) shall provide handicapped individuals with such supportive services as may be required to permit them to continue to engage in the employment for which they have received training under this section; and

(C) shall, to the extent appropriate, expand job opportunities for handicapped individuals by providing for (i) the development and modification of jobs to accommodate the special needs of such individuals, (ii) the distribution of special aids, appliances, or adapted equipment to such individuals, (iii) the establishment of appropriate job placement services, and (iv) the modification of any facilities or equipment of the employer which are to be used primarily by handicapped individuals.

(2) Any agreement under this subsection shall be jointly developed by the Commissioner, the prospective employer, and, to the extent practicable, the appropriate designated State unit and the handicapped individuals involved. Such agreements shall specify the terms of training and employment under the project, provide for the payment by the Commissioner of part of the costs of the project (in accordance with subsection (c)), and contain the items required under subsection (b) and such other provisions as the parties to the agreement consider to be appropriate.

(3) Any agreement developed under this subsection shall include a description of an evaluation plan which at the end of each year of a funding cycle reflects at a minimum the following—

(A) the numbers and types of handicapped individuals assisted;

(B) the types of assistance provided;

(C) the sources of funding;

(D) the percentage of resources committed to each type of assistance provided;

(E) the extent to which the employment status and earning power of handicapped individuals changed following assistance;

(F) the extent of capacity building activities, including collaboration with other organizations, agencies, and institutions; and

(G) a comparison, when appropriate, of activities in prior years with activities in the most recent year.

(b) No payment shall be made by the Commissioner under any agreement with an employer entered into under subsection (a) unless such agreement—

(1) provides assurances that handicapped individuals placed with such employer shall receive at least the applicable minimum wage;

(2) specifies that the Commissioner, together with the designated State unit, has the right to review any termination of employment, and that, in the event such termination occurs less than three years after the date of the commencement of employment of the handicapped individual involved, the Commissioner shall be entitled to require the repayment of a portion of the funds made available to the employer if such termination is without reasonable cause, as determined by the Commissioner in consultation with such designated State unit; and

(3) provides assurances that any handicapped individual placed with such employer shall be afforded terms and benefits of employment equal to those which are afforded to other employees of such employer, and that such handicapped individ-

uals shall not be unreasonably segregated from other employees.

(c) Payments under this section with respect to any project may not exceed 80 per centum of the costs of the project.

(d)(1) The Commissioner shall, not later than February 1, 1985, develop and publish standards for evaluation consistent with the provisions in section (a)(3) to assist each recipient under the Projects With Industry Program receiving assistance under this title to review and evaluate the operation of its project.

(2) The Commissioner shall, pursuant to section 14 of this Act, conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the Projects With Industry Program and submit a report on February 1, 1986, to Congress on the evaluation, including recommendations for the improvement and continuation of each recipient and for the support of new Projects With Industry recipients. In conducting the comprehensive evaluation, the Commissioner shall apply standards for evaluation criteria which are consistent with those required in section (a)(3).

(3) In developing standards for evaluation to be used by the Projects With Industry recipients, and in developing the standards for evaluation to be used in the comprehensive evaluation, the Commissioner shall obtain and consider recommendations for such standards from State Vocational Rehabilitation Agencies, current Projects With Industry recipients, professional organizations representing industry, organizations representing handicapped individuals, individuals assisted by Projects With Industry recipients, and labor organizations.

(4) No standards may be established under this subsection unless the standards are approved by the National Council on the Handicapped. The Council shall approve the standards within ninety days after receiving the standards. If the Secretary of Education has not received notification of approval or disapproval from the Council within ninety days, the standards shall be deemed approved. A Council decision on such standards shall occur at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Council, and shall be the result of a simple majority of those present at the meeting.

(e) The parties to each agreement receiving assistance under this section in the fiscal year in which the Rehabilitation Amendments of 1984 is enacted shall continue to receive assistance through September 30, 1986, unless the Commissioner determines that there is a substantial failure to comply with the agreement.

(f) The Commissioner shall to the extent practicable assure an equitable distribution of payments made under this section among the States.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

SEC. 622. The Commissioner, in consultation with the Secretaries of Labor and Commerce, may make grants to, or enter into contracts with, handicapped individuals to enable them to establish or operate commercial or other enterprises to develop or market their products or services. Within ninety days after the effective date of this section, the Commissioner shall promulgate regulations to carry out this section, including regulations specifying (1) the maximum amount of money which may be provided under this section

to any participant, and (2) procedures for certification, by designated State units, of individuals eligible to participate in any program under this section.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 623. There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions *for section 621, $13,000,000 for fiscal year 1984, $14,400,000 for fiscal year 1985, and $15,200,000 for fiscal year 1986; and for section 622, such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1984, 1985, and 1986.*

TITLE VII—COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

PART A—COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES

PURPOSE

SEC. 701. The purpose of this title is to authorize grants (supplementary to grants for vocational rehabilitation services under title I) to assist States in providing comprehensive services for independent living designed to meet the current and future needs of individuals whose disabilities are so severe that they do not presently have the potential for employment but may benefit from vocational rehabilitation services which will enable them to live and function independently.

ELIGIBILITY

SEC. 702. Services may be provided under this title to any individual whose ability to engage or continue in employment, or whose ability to function independently in his family or community, is so limited by the severity of his disability that vocational or comprehensive rehabilitation services appreciably more costly and of appreciably greater duration than those vocational or comprehensive rehabilitation services required for the rehabilitation of a handicapped individual are required to improve significantly either his ability to engage in employment or his ability to function independently in his family or community. Priority of services under this part shall be given to individuals not served by other provisions of this Act.

(b) For purposes of this title, the term "comprehensive services for independent living" means any appropriate vocational rehabilitation service (as defined under title I of this Act) and any other service that will enhance the ability of a handicapped individual to live independently and function within his family and community and, if appropriate, secure and maintain appropriate employment. Such services may include any of the following: counseling services, including psychological, psychotherapeutic, and related services; housing incidental to the purpose of this section (including appropriate accommodations to and modification of any space to serve handicapped individuals); appropriate job placement services; transportation; attendant care; physical rehabilitation; therapeutic treatment; needed prostheses and other appliances and devices; health maintenance; recreational activities; services for children of

preschool age, including physical therapy, development of language and communication skills, and child development services; and appropriate preventive services to decrease the needs of individuals assisted under the program for similar services in the future.

ALLOTMENTS

SEC. 703. (a)(1) From sums made available for each fiscal year for the purposes of allotments under this subpart, each State whose comprehensive services plan has been approved under section 705 shall be entitled to an allotment of an amount bearing the same ratio to such sums as the population of the State bears to the population of all States. Except as provided in paragraph (2), the allotment to any State under the preceding sentence shall be not less than $200,000 or one-third of 1 percent of the sums made available for the fiscal year for which the allotment is made, whichever is greater, and the allotment of any State under this section for any fiscal year which is less than $200,000 or one-third of 1 percent of such sums shall be increased to the greater of the two amounts.

(2) For the purposes of this subsection, Guam, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands shall not be considered as States and shall each be allotted not less than one-eighth of 1 percent of the amounts made available for purposes of this subpart for the fiscal year for which the allotment is made.

(b) Amounts necessary to increase the allotments of States under paragraph (1) or to provide allotments under paragraph (2) shall be derived by proportionately reducing the allotments of the remaining States under paragraph (1), but with such adjustments as may be necessary to prevent the allotment of any such remaining States from being thereby reduced to less than the greater of $200,000 or one-third of 1 percent of the sums made available for purposes of this subpart for the fiscal year for which the allotment is made.

(c) Whenever the Commissioner determines that any amount of an allotment to a State for any fiscal year will not be utilized by such State in carrying out the purposes of this title, he shall make such amount available for carrying out the purposes of this section to one or more of the States which he determines will be able to use additional amounts during such year for carrying out such purposes. Any amount made available to a State for any fiscal year pursuant to the preceding sentence shall, for the purposes of this section, be regarded as an increase in the State's allotment (as determined under the preceding provisions of this section) for such year.

PAYMENTS TO STATES FROM ALLOTMENTS

SEC. 704. (a) From each State's allotment for a fiscal year under section 703, the State shall be paid the Federal share of the expenditures incurred during such year under its State plan approved under section 705. Such payments may be made (after necessary adjustments on account of previously made overpayments or underpayments) in advance or by way of reimbursement, and in such installments and on such conditions as the Commissioner may determine.

(b)(1) The Federal share with respect to any State for any fiscal year shall be 90 percent of the expenditures incurred by the State during such year under its State plan approved under section 705.

(2) The non-Federal share of the cost of any project assisted by an allotment under this subpart may be provided in kind.

(3) For the purpose of determining the Federal share with respect to any State, expenditures by a political subdivision of such State shall, subject to regulations prescribed by the Commissioner, be regarded as expenditures by such State.

STATE PLANS

SEC. 705. (a) In order to be eligible for grants under this part, a State shall submit to the Commissioner a State plan for a three-year period for providing comprehensive services for independent living to severely handicapped individuals, and, upon request of the Commissioner, shall make such annual revisions in the plan as may be necessary. Each such plan shall—

(1) designate the designated State unit of such State as the agency to administer the programs funded under this part;

(2) demonstrate that the State has studied and considered a wide variety of methods for providing comprehensive services to severely handicapped individuals (such as regional and community centers, halfway houses, and patient-release programs) and that the State will provide, to the maximum extent feasible, meaningful alternatives to institutionalization;

(3)(A) describe the quality, scope, and extent of the comprehensive services for independent living to be provided to handicapped individuals under this part, and specify the State's goals and plans with respect to the distribution of funds received under part B of this title; and

(B) provide satisfactory assurances that facilities used in connection with the delivery of services assisted under this part and part B of this title will comply with the Act of August 12, 1968, commonly known as the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968;

(4) provide assurances that (A) an individualized written rehabilitation program meeting the requirements of section 102 will be developed for each handicapped individual eligible for independent living services under this part; (B) such services will be provided in accordance with such program; and (C) that such program be coordinated with the individualized written rehabilitation program, habilitation plan, or education program for such individual required under section 102 of this Act, section 112 of the Developmental Disabilities Services and Facilities Construction Act, and sections 612(4) and 614(a)(5) of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975, respectively;

(5) provide assurances that the State will conduct periodic reviews of the progress of individuals assisted under this title to determine whether services provided to such individuals should be continued, modified, or discontinued;

(6) provide assurances that special efforts will be undertaken to provide technical assistance to urban and rural poverty

areas with respect to the provision of comprehensive services for severely handicapped individuals and describe such efforts;

(7) provide assurances that handicapped individuals shall have a substantial role in developing the State plan;

(8) provide assurances that not less than 20 percent of the funds received by a State under this part shall be used to make grants to local public agencies and private nonprofit organizations for the conduct of independent living services except that the Commissioner may waive the requirement of this clause if the Commissioner determines, on the basis of evidence submitted by the State, that such State cannot feasibly use the funds required to be expended under this section for the purposes of this clause; and

(9) contain such other information, and be submitted in such form and in accordance with such procedures, as the Commissioner may require.

(b) As soon as practicable after receiving a State plan submitted under subsection (a), the Commissioner shall approve or disapprove such plan. The Commissioner shall approve any State plan which he determines meets the requirements and purposes of this section. The provisions of subsections (b), (c), and (d) of section 101 of this Act shall apply to any State plan submitted to the Commissioner pursuant to this section, except that for purposes of this section, all references in such subsections to the Secretary shall be deemed to be references to the Commissioner.

PART B—CENTERS FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING

GRANT PROGRAM ESTABLISHED

SEC. 711. (a) The Commissioner may make grants to any designated State unit which administers the State plan under section 705 to provide for the establishment and operation of independent living centers, which shall be facilities offering the services described in subsection (c)(2).

(b) No grant may be made under this section unless an application therefor has been submitted to and approved by the Commissioner. The Commissioner may not approve an application for a grant unless the application—

(1) contains assurances that the designated State unit will use funds provided by such grant in accordance with subsection (c); and

(2) contains such other information, and is submitted in such form and in accordance with such procedures, as the Commissioner may require.

(c) An application by a public or nonprofit agency or organization for such grant shall—

(1) provide assurances that handicapped individuals will be substantially involved in policy direction and management of such center, and will be employed by such center;

(2) contain assurances that the independent living center to be assisted by such grant shall offer handicapped individuals a combination of independent living services, including as appropriate—

(A) intake counseling to determine the client's need for specific rehabilitation services;

(B) referral and counseling services with respect to attendant care;

(C) counseling and advocacy services with respect to legal and economic rights and benefits;

(D) independent living skills, counseling, and training, including such programs as training in the maintenance of necessary equipment and in jobseeking skills, counseling on therapy needs and programs, and special programs for the blind and deaf;

(E) housing and transportation referral and assistance;

(F) surveys, directories, and other activities to identify appropriate housing and accessible transportation, and other support services;

(G) health maintenance programs;

(H) peer counseling;

(I) community group living arrangements;

(J) education and training necessary for living in the community and participating in community activities;

(K) individual and group social and recreational activities;

(L) other programs designed to provide resources, training, counseling, services, or other assistance of substantial benefit in promoting the independence, productivity, and quality of life of handicapped individuals;

(M) attendant care and training or personnel to provide such care; and

(N) such other services as may be necessary and not inconsistent with the provisions of this title;

(3) contain a description of an evaluation plan which at the end of each year of a funding cycle shall reflect at a minimum the following—

(A) the numbers and types of handicapped individuals assisted;

(B) the extent to which individuals with varying handicapping conditions were served;

(C) the types of services provided;

(D) the sources of funding;

(E) the percentage of resources committed to each type of service provided;

(F) how services provided contributed to the maintenance of or the increased independence of handicapped individuals assisted;

(G) the extent to which handicapped individuals participate in management and decisionmaking in the center;

(H) the extent of capacity building activities including collaboration with other agencies and organizations;

(I) the extent of catalytic activities to promote community awareness, involvement, and assistance;

(J) the extent of outreach efforts and the impact of such efforts; and

(K) a comparison, when appropriate, of prior year(s) activities with most recent year activities.

(4) contain such other information, and be submitted in such form and in accordance with such procedures, as the Commissioner may require.

(d) If, within six months after the date in each fiscal year on which the Commissioner begins to accept applications from designated State units under this section, a designated State unit in a State has not submitted such an application, the Commissioner may accept applications for grants under this section from local public agencies or private nonprofit organizations within such State. After the receipt of such applications, the Commissioner may make grants to such agencies or organizations for the purpose of establishing independent living centers to provide the services described in subsection (c)(2).

(e)(1) The Commissioner shall, not later than February 1, 1985, develop and publish standards for evaluation consistent with the provisions in subparagraph (c)(3) to assist each independent living center receiving funding under this title to review and evaluate the operation of its center.

(2) The Commissioner shall, under the authority specified in section 14 of this Act, conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the Centers for Independent Living Grant Program, and submit a report no later than February 1, 1986, to Congress on the evaluation, including recommendations for the improvement and continuation of each grantee and for the support of new independent living centers. In conducting the comprehensive evaluation, the Commissioner shall apply standards for evaluation which are consistent with the standards required in paragraph (1).

(3) In developing standards for evaluation to be used by the grantees, and in developing the standards for evaluation to be used in the comprehensive evaluation, the Commissioner shall obtain and consider recommendations for such standards from national organizations representing handicapped individuals and independent living programs; and from independent living centers, professionals serving handicapped individuals, and individuals, associations, and organizations engaged in research in independent living.

(4) No standards may be established under this subsection unless the standards are approved by the National Council on the Handicapped. The Council shall approve the standards within ninety days after receiving the standards. If the Secretary of Education has not received notification of approval or disapproval from the Council within the ninety days, the standards shall be deemed approved. A Council decision on such standards shall occur at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Council, and shall be the result of a simple majority of those present at the meeting.

(f) Grantees receiving assistance under this section in the fiscal year in which the Rehabilitation Amendments of 1984 are enacted shall continue to receive assistance through September 30, 1986, unless the Commissioner determines that there is a substantial failure to comply with the provisions of the approved application.

PART C—INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES FOR OLDER BLIND INDIVIDUALS

SERVICE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED

SEC. 721. (a) The Commission may make grants to any designated State unit to provide independent living services to older blind individuals. Such services shall be designed to assist an older blind individual to adjust to his blindness by becoming more able to care for his individual needs. Such services may include—

(1) services to help correct blindness such as (A) outreach services, (B) visual screening, (C) surgical or therapeutic treatment to prevent, correct, or modify disabling eye conditions, and (D) hospitalization related to such services;

(2) the provision of eyeglasses and other visual aids;

(3) the provision of services and equipment to assist an older blind individual to become more mobile and more able to care for himself;

(4) mobility training, Braille instruction, and other services and equipment to help an older blind individual adjust to blindness;

(5) guide services, reader services, and transportation; and

(6) any other appropriate services designed to assist a blind person in coping with daily living activities, including supportive services or rehabilitation teaching services.

(b) No grant may be made under this section unless an application therefor, containing such information as the Commissioner may require, has been submitted to and approved by the Commissioner. The Commissioner may not approve any application for a grant unless the application contains assurances that the designated State unit will seek to incorporate any new methods and approaches relating to the services described in subsection (a) into its State plan for independent living services under section 705 of this title.

(c) Funds received under this section by any designated State unit may be used to make grants to public or private nonprofit agencies or organizations to—

(1) conduct activities which will improve or expand services for older blind individuals and help improve public understanding of the problems of such individuals; and

(2) provide independent living services to older blind individuals in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a).

(d) For purposes of this section, the term "older blind individual" means an individual aged fifty-five or older whose severe visual impairment makes gainful employment extremely difficult to attain but for whom independent living goals are feasible.

PART D—GENERAL PROVISIONS

PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY OF INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS

SEC. 731. (a) The Commissioner may make grants to States to establish systems to protect and advocate the rights of severely handicapped individuals. In order to be eligible for a grant under

this section, a State shall provide the Commissioner with assurances that any system established with grants made under this section shall have the authority to pursue legal, administrative, and other appropriate remedies to insure the protection of the rights of such individuals receiving services under this title within the State. A State must provide that such system will be independent of any designated State unit that provides services under this part to such individuals.

(b) No grant may be made under this section unless an application therefor has been submitted to the Commissioner containing such information and in such form and in accordance with such procedures as the Commissioner may, by regulation, prescribe.

EMPLOYMENT OF HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

SEC. 732. As a condition of providing assistance under this title, the Secretary shall require that each recipient of assistance take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified handicapped individuals on the same terms and conditions required with respect to the employment of such individuals under the provisions of this Act which govern employment (1) by State rehabilitation agencies and rehabilitation facilities, and (2) under Federal contracts and subcontracts.

PART E—AUTHORIZATIONS

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 741. *(a) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out part A of this title such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1984, 1985, and 1986.*

(b) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out part B of this title $21,000,000 for the fiscal year 1984, $22,000,000 for the fiscal year 1985, and $23,000,000 for the fiscal year 1986.

(c) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out part C of this title such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1984, 1985, and 1986.

(2)[1] The provisions of section 1913 of title 18 of the United States Code shall be applicable to all moneys authorized under the provisions of this subsection.

(d)(1) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out part D of this title such sums as may be necessary for each of the fiscal years 1984, 1985, and 1986.

[1] Section 172 of P.L. 98-221, because of a technical error, failed to redesignate subsection (c)(2) as (d)(2). The requirement of this subsection is applicable to funds authorized to carry out Part D.

Helen Keller National Center Act

CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS

Sec. 202. The Congress finds that—

(1) deaf-blindness is among the most severe of all forms of disabilities, and there is a great and continuing need for services and training to help deaf-blind individuals attain the highest possible level of development;

(2) due to the rubella epidemic of the 1960's and recent advances in medical technology that have sustained the lives of many severely disabled individuals, including deaf-blind individuals, who might not otherwise have survived, the need for services for deaf-blind individuals is even more pressing now than in the past;

(3) helping deaf-blind individuals to become self-sufficient, independent, and employable by providing the services and training necessary to accomplish that end will benefit the Nation, both economically and socially;

(4) the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults is a vital national resource for meeting the needs of deaf-blind individuals and no State currently has the facilities or personnel to meet such needs;

(5) the Federal Government has invested approximately $10,000,000 in capital, equipment, and operating funds for such Center since it was established; and

(6) it is in the national interest to continue to provide support for the Center, and it is a proper function of the Federal Government to be the primary source of such support.

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS; REPEAL OF PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

Sec. 203. (a) Section 313 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 777c) is repealed.

(b) The Secretary of Education shall continue to administer and support the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults in the same manner as such Center was administered pursuant to section 313 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, to the extent such manner of administration is not inconsistent with any purpose described in subsection (c) or any other requirement of this title.

(c) The purposes of the Center are to—

(1) provide specialized intensive services, or any other services at the Center or anywhere else in the United States, which are necessary to encourage the maximum personal development of any deaf-blind individual;

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(2) train professionals and allied personnel at the Center or anywhere else in the United States to provide services to deaf-blind individuals; and

(3) conduct applied research, development programs, and demonstrations with respect to communication techniques, teaching methods, aids and devices, and delivery of services.

AUDIT; MONITORING AND EVALUATION

SEC. 204. (a) The books and accounts of the Center shall be audited annually by an independent auditor in the manner prescribed by the Secretary and a report on each such audit shall be submitted by the auditor to the Secretary at such time as the Secretary shall prescribe.

(b)(1) The Secretary shall establish procedures for monitoring, on a regular basis, the services performed and the training conducted by the Center.

(2) The Secretary shall, in addition to the regular monitoring required under paragraph (1), conduct an evaluation of the operation of the Center at the end of each fiscal year. A written report of such evaluation shall be submitted to the President, the Clerk of the House of Representatives, and the Secretary of the Senate within one hundred and eighty days after the end of the fiscal year for which such evaluation was conducted. The first such report shall be submitted for fiscal year 1983.

AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 205. (a) There are authorized to be appropriated $4,000,000 for the fiscal year 1984, $4,200,000 for the fiscal year 1985, and $4,300,000 for the fiscal year 1986 to carry out the provisions of this title. Such sums shall remain available until expended.

(b) Any appropriation Act containing any appropriation authorized by subsection (a) shall contain a statement of the specific amount being made available to the Center.

DEFINITIONS

SEC. 206. For purposes of this title—

(1) the terms "Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults" and "Center" mean the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults, and its affiliated network, operated pursuant to section 313 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and continued under this title;

(2) the term "deaf-blind individual" means any individual—

(A) who has a central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with corrective lenses, or central acuity of 20/200 if there is a field defect such that the peripheral diameter of visual field subtends an angular distance no greater than 20 degrees,

(B) who has a chronic hearing impairment so severe that most speech cannot be understood with optimum amplification, and

(C) for whom the combination of the impairments described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) causes extreme diffi-

culty in attaining independence in daily life activities, achieving psychosocial adjustment, or obtaining a vocation, and such term includes any other meaning the Secretary may prescribe by regulation; and

(3) the term "Secretary" means the Secretary of Education.

CONSTRUCTION OF ACT; EFFECT ON AGREEMENTS

SEC. 207. This title shall not be construed as modifying or affecting any agreement between the Department of Education or any other department or agency of the United States and the Industrial Home for the Blind, Incorporated, or any successor to or assignee of such corporation, with respect to the Center.

PART III—DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ACT OF 1984
(Public Law 98-527)

Public Law 98-527
98th Congress

An Act

Oct. 19, 1984
[H.R. 5603]

To revise and extend programs for persons with developmental disabilities.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Developmental Disabilities Act of 1984".

Developmental Disabilities Act of 1984.
42 USC 6000 note.

SEC. 2. Title I of the Mental Retardation Facilities and Community Mental Health Centers Construction Act of 1963 is amended to read as follows:

Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act.

"TITLE I—PROGRAMS FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

"PART A—GENERAL PROVISIONS

"SHORT TITLE

42 USC 6000 note.

"SEC. 100. This title may be cited as the 'Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act'.

"FINDINGS AND PURPOSES

42 USC 6000.

"SEC. 101. (a) The Congress finds that—

"(1) there are more than two million persons with developmental disabilities in the United States;

"(2) individuals with disabilities occurring during their developmental period are more vulnerable and less able to reach an independent level of existence than other handicapped individuals who generally have had a normal developmental period on which to draw during the rehabilitation process;

"(3) persons with developmental disabilities often require specialized lifelong services to be provided by many agencies in a coordinated manner in order to meet the persons' needs;

"(4) generic service agencies and agencies providing specialized services to disabled persons tend to overlook or exclude persons with developmental disabilities in their planning and delivery of services; and

"(5) it is in the national interest to strengthen specific programs, especially programs that reduce or eliminate the need for institutional care, to meet the needs of persons with developmental disabilities.

"(b)(1) It is the overall purpose of this title to assist States to (A) assure that persons with developmental disabilities receive the care, treatment, and other services necessary to enable them to achieve their maximum potential through increased independence, productivity, and integration into the community, and (B) establish and operate a system which coordinates, monitors, plans, and evaluates services which ensures the protection of the legal and human rights of persons with developmental disabilities.

"(2) The specific purposes of this title are—

"(A) to assist in the provision of comprehensive services to persons with developmental disabilities, with priority to those persons whose needs are not otherwise met under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or other health, education, or welfare programs; 29 USC 701 note.

"(B) to assist States in appropriate planning activities;

"(C) to make grants to States and public and private, nonprofit agencies to establish model programs, to demonstrate innovative habilitation techniques, and to train professional and paraprofessional personnel with respect to providing services to persons with developmental disabilities; Grants.

"(D) to make grants to university affiliated facilities to assist them in administering and operating demonstration facilities for the provision of services to persons with developmental disabilities and interdisciplinary training programs for personnel needed to provide specialized services for these persons; and Grants.

"(E) to make grants to support a system in each State to protect the legal and human rights of all persons with developmental disabilities. Grants.

"DEFINITIONS

"SEC. 102. For purposes of this title: 42 USC 6001.

"(1) The term 'State' includes Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, and the District of Columbia.

"(2) The term 'facility for persons with developmental disabilities' means a facility, or a specified portion of a facility, designed primarily for the delivery of one or more services to persons with one or more developmental disabilities.

"(3) The terms 'nonprofit facility for persons with developmental disabilities' and 'nonprofit private institution of higher learning' mean, respectively, a facility for persons with developmental disabilities and an institution of higher learning which are owned and operated by one or more nonprofit corporations or associations no part of the net earnings of which inures, or may lawfully inure, to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual. The term 'nonprofit private agency or organization' means an agency or organization which is such a corporation or association or which is owned and operated by one or more of such corporations or associations.

"(4) The term 'construction' includes construction of new buildings, acquisition, expansion, remodeling, and alteration of existing buildings, and initial equipment of any such buildings (including medical, transportation, and recreation facilities); including architect's fees, but excluding the cost of offsite improvements and the cost of the acquisition of land.

"(5) The term 'cost of construction' means the amount found by the Secretary to be necessary for the construction of a project.

"(6) The term 'title', when used with reference to a site for a project, means a fee simple, or such other estate or interest (including a leasehold on which the rental does not exceed 4 per centum of the value of the land) as the Secretary finds sufficient to assure for a period of not less than fifty years undisturbed use and possession for the purposes of construction and operation of the project.

"(7) The term 'developmental disability' means a severe, chronic disability of a person which—

"(A) is attributable to a mental or physical impairment or combination of mental and physical impairments;

"(B) is manifested before the person attains age twenty-two;

"(C) is likely to continue indefinitely;

"(D) results in substantial functional limitations in three or more of the following areas of major life activity: (i) self-care, (ii) receptive and expressive language, (iii) learning, (iv) mobility, (v) self-direction, (vi) capacity for independent living, and (vii) economic self-sufficiency; and

"(E) reflects the person's need for a combination and sequence of special, interdisciplinary, or generic care, treatment, or other services which are of lifelong or extended duration and are individually planned and coordinated.

"(8) The term 'independence' means the extent to which persons with developmental disabilities exert control and choice over their own lives.

"(9) The term 'productivity' means—

"(A) engagement in income-producing work by a person with developmental disabilities which is measured through improvements in income level, employment status, or job advancement, or

"(B) engagement by a person with developmental disabilities in work which contributes to a household or community.

"(10) The term 'integration' means—

"(A) the—

"(i) use by persons with developmental disabilities of the same community resources that are used by and available to other citizens, and

"(ii) participation by persons with developmental disabilities in the same community activities in which nonhandicapped citizens participate,

together with regular contact with nonhandicapped citizens, and

"(B) the residence by persons with developmental disabilities in homes or in home-like settings which are in proximity to community resources, together with regular contact with nonhandicapped citizens in their communities.

"(11)(A) The term 'services for persons with developmental disabilities' means—

"(i) priority services; and

"(ii) any other specialized services or special adaptations of generic services for persons with developmental disabilities, including diagnosis, evaluation, treatment, personal care, day care, domiciliary care, special living arrangements, training, education, sheltered employment, recreation and socialization, counseling of the person with such disability and the family of such person, protective and other social and sociolegal services, information and referral services, follow-along services, nonvocational social-developmental services, transportation services necessary to assure delivery of services to persons with developmental disabilities, and services to promote and coordinate activities to prevent developmental disabilities.

"(B) The term 'service activities' includes, with respect to a priority service or a service described in subparagraph (A)(ii)—

"(i) the provision of specialized services in the area which respond to unmet needs of persons with developmental disabilities;

"(ii) model service programs in the area;

"(iii) activities to increase the capacity of agencies to provide services in the area;

"(iv) the coordination of the provision of services in the area with the provision of other services;

"(v) outreach to individuals for the provision of services in the area;

"(vi) the training of personnel, including parents of persons with developmental disabilities, professionals, and volunteers, to provide services in the area; and

"(vii) similar activities designed to expand the use and availability of services in the area.

"(C) The term 'priority services' means alternative community living arrangement services, employment related activities, child development services, and case management services.

"(D) The term 'alternative community living arrangement services' means such services as will assist persons with developmental disabilities in developing or maintaining suitable residential arrangements in the community, including in-house services (such as personal aides and attendants and other domestic assistance and supportive services), family support services, foster care services, group living services, respite care, recreation and socialization services, and staff training, placement, and maintenance services.

"(E) The term 'employment related activities' means such services as will increase the independence, productivity, or integration of a person with developmental disabilities in work settings, including such services as employment preparation and vocational training leading to supported employment, incentive programs for employers who hire persons with developmental disabilities, services to assist transition from special education to employment, and services to assist transition from sheltered work settings to supported employment settings or competitive employment.

"(F) The term 'supported employment' means paid employment which—

"(i) is for persons with developmental disabilities for whom competitive employment at or above the minimum wage is unlikely and who, because of their disabilities, need intensive ongoing support to perform in a work setting;

"(ii) is conducted in a variety of settings, particularly worksites in which persons without disabilities are employed; and

"(iii) is supported by any activity needed to sustain paid work by persons with disabilities, including supervision, training, and transportation.

"(G) The term 'child development services' means such services as will assist in the prevention, identification, and alleviation of developmental disabilities in children, including early intervention services, counseling and training of parents, early identification of developmental disabilities, and diagnosis and evaluation of such developmental disabilities.

"(H) The term 'case management services' means such services to persons with developmental disabilities as will assist them in gaining access to needed social, medical, educational, and other services. Such term includes—

"(i) follow-along services which ensure, through a continuing relationship, lifelong if necessary, between an agency or provider and a person with a developmental disability and the person's immediate relatives or guardians, that the changing needs of the person and the family are recognised and appropriately met; and

"(ii) coordination services which provide to persons with developmental disabilities support, access to (and coordination of) other services, information on programs and services, and monitoring of the persons' progress.

"(12) The term 'satellite center' means a public or private nonprofit entity which—

"(A)(i) is affiliated with one or more university affiliated facilities;

"(ii) functions as a community or regional extension of such university affiliated facility or facilities in the delivery of services to persons with developmental disabilities, and their families, who reside in geographical areas where adequate services are not otherwise available; and

"(iii) may engage in the activities described in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of paragraph (13); or

"(B) is affiliated with one or more university affiliated facilities and which provides for at least—

"(i) interdisciplinary training for personnel concerned with the provision of direct or indirect services to persons with developmental disabilities; and

"(ii) dissemination of findings relating to the provision of services to persons with developmental disabilities.

"(13) The term 'university affiliated facility' means a public or nonprofit facility which is associated with, or is an integral part of, a college or university and which provides for at least the following activities:

"(A) Interdisciplinary training for personnel concerned with developmental disabilities which is conducted at the facility and through outreach activities.

"(B) Demonstration of—

"(i) exemplary services relating to persons with developmental disabilities in settings which are integrated in the community; and

"(ii) technical assistance to generic and specialised agencies to provide services to increase the independence, productivity, and integration into the community of persons with developmental disabilities, such as the development and improvement of quality assurance mechanisms.

"(C)(i) Dissemination of findings relating to the provision of services under subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, and (ii) providing researchers and government agencies sponsoring service-related research with information on the needs for further service-related research which would provide data and information that will assist in increasing the

independence, productivity, and integration into the community of persons with developmental disabilities.

"(14) The term 'Secretary' means the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

"(15) The term 'State Planning Council' means a State Planning Council established under section 124. *Post*, p. 2675.

"FEDERAL SHARE

"SEC. 103. (a) The Federal share of all projects in a State supported by an allotment to the State under part B may not exceed 75 percent of the aggregate necessary costs of all such projects, as determined by the Secretary, except that in the case of projects located in urban or rural poverty areas, the Federal share of all such projects may not exceed 90 percent of the aggregate necessary costs of such projects, as determined by the Secretary. Prohibition. 42 USC 6002. *Post*, p. 2670.

"(b) The Federal share of any project to be provided through grants under part D may not exceed 75 percent of the necessary cost of such project, as determined by the Secretary, except that if the project is located in an urban or rural poverty area, the Federal share may not exceed 90 percent of the project's necessary costs as so determined. Prohibition. *Post*, p. 2681.

"(c) The non-Federal share of the cost of any project assisted by a grant or allotment under this title may be provided in kind.

"(d) For the purpose of determining the Federal share with respect to any project, expenditures on that project by a political subdivision of a State or by a nonprofit private entity shall, subject to such limitations and conditions as the Secretary may by regulation prescribe, be deemed to be expenditures by such State in the case of a project under part B or by a university affiliated facility or a satellite center, as the case may be, in the case of a project assisted under part D.

"RECORDS AND AUDIT

"SEC. 104. (a) Each recipient of assistance under this title shall keep such records as the Secretary shall prescribe, including (1) records which fully disclose (A) the amount and disposition by such recipient of the proceeds of such assistance, (B) the total cost of the project or undertaking in connection with which such assistance is given or used, and (C) the amount of that portion of the cost of the project or undertaking supplied by other sources, and (2) such other records as will facilitate an effective audit. 42 USC 6003.

"(b) The Secretary and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access for the purpose of audit and examination to any books, documents, papers, and records of the recipients of assistance under this title that are pertinent to such assistance.

"RECOVERY

"SEC. 105. If any facility with respect to which funds have been paid under part B or D shall, at any time within twenty years after the completion of construction— 42 USC 6004.

"(1) be sold or transferred to any person, agency, or organization which is not a public or nonprofit private entity, or

"(2) cease to be a public or other nonprofit facility for persons with developmental disabilities,

the United States shall be entitled to recover from either the transferor or the transferee (or, in the case of a facility which has ceased to be a public or other nonprofit facility for persons with developmental disabilities, from the owners thereof) an amount bearing the same ratio to the then value (as determined by the agreement of the parties or by action brought in the district court of the United States for the district in which the facility is situated) of so much of such facility as constituted an approved project or projects, as the amount of the Federal participation bore to the cost of the construction of such project or projects. Such right of recovery shall not constitute a lien upon such facility prior to judgment. The Secretary, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary, may, upon finding good cause therefor, release the applicant or other owner from the obligation to continue such facility as a public or other nonprofit facility for persons with developmental disabilities.

"STATE CONTROL OF OPERATIONS

42 USC 6005.

"SEC. 106. Except as otherwise specifically provided, nothing in this title shall be construed as conferring on any Federal officer or employee the right to exercise any supervision or control over the administration, personnel, maintenance, or operation of any facility for persons with developmental disabilities with respect to which any funds have been or may be expended under this title.

"REPORTS

42 USC 6006.

"SEC. 107. (a) By January 1 of each year, the State Planning Council of each State shall prepare and transmit to the Secretary a report concerning activities carried out during the preceding fiscal year with funds paid to the State under part B for such fiscal year. Each such report shall be in a form prescribed by the Secretary by regulation and shall contain—

Post, p. 2670.

"(1) a description of such activities and the accomplishments resulting from such activities;

"(2) a comparison of such accomplishments with the goals, objectives, and proposed activities specified by the State in the State plan submitted under section 122 for such fiscal year; and

Post, p. 2670.

"(3) an accounting of the manner in which funds paid to a State under part B for a fiscal year were expended.

"(b) By January 1 of each year, each protection and advocacy system established in a State pursuant to part C shall prepare and transmit to the Secretary a report which describes the activities, accomplishments, and expenditures of the system during the preceding fiscal year.

Post, p. 2679.

"(c)(1) By April 1 of each year the Secretary shall prepare and transmit to the President, the Congress, and the National Council on the Handicapped a report which describes—

"(A) the activities and accomplishments of programs supported under parts B, C, D, and E of this title; and

Post, pp. 2670, 2679, 2681, 2683.

"(B) the progress made in States in improving the independence, productivity, and integration into the community of persons with developmental disabilities and any activities or services needed to improve such independence, productivity, and integration.

"(2) In preparing the report required by this subsection, the Secretary shall use and include information submitted to the Secre-

tary in the reports required under subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

"RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SECRETARY

"SEC. 108. (a) The Secretary, not later than one hundred eighty days after the date of enactment of any Act amending the provisions of this title, shall promulgate such regulations as may be required for the implementation of such amendments. Regulations. 42 USC 6007.

"(b) Within ninety days after the date of enactment of the Developmental Disabilities Act of 1984, the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Education shall establish an interagency committee composed of representatives of the Administration for Developmental Disabilities of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services of the Department of Education, the Department of Labor, and such other Federal departments and agencies as the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Education consider appropriate. Such interagency committee shall meet regularly to coordinate and plan activities conducted by Federal departments and agencies for persons with developmental disabilities. Interagency committee, establishment.

"EMPLOYMENT OF HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS

"SEC. 109. As a condition of providing assistance under this title, the Secretary shall require that each recipient of such assistance take affirmative action to employ and advance in employment qualified handicapped individuals on the same terms and conditions required with respect to the employment of such individuals by the provisions of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 which govern employment (1) by State rehabilitation agencies and rehabilitation facilities, and (2) under Federal contracts and subcontracts. 42 USC 6008. 29 USC 701 note.

"RIGHTS OF THE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED

"SEC. 110. Congress makes the following findings respecting the rights of persons with developmental disabilities: 42 USC 6009.

"(1) Persons with developmental disabilities have a right to appropriate treatment, services, and habilitation for such disabilities.

"(2) The treatment, services, and habilitation for a person with developmental disabilities should be designed to maximize the developmental potential of the person and should be provided in the setting that is least restrictive of the person's personal liberty.

"(3) The Federal Government and the States both have an obligation to assure that public funds are not provided to any institutional or other residential program for persons with developmental disabilities that—

"(A) does not provide treatment, services, and habilitation which is appropriate to the needs of such persons; or

"(B) does not meet the following minimum standards:

"(i) Provision of a nourishing, well-balanced daily diet to the persons with developmental disabilities being served by the program.

"(ii) Provision to such persons of appropriate and sufficient medical and dental services.

"(iii) Prohibition of the use of physical restraint on such persons unless absolutely necessary and prohibition of the use of such restraint as a punishment or as a substitute for a habilitation program.

"(iv) Prohibition on the excessive use of chemical restraints on such persons and the use of such restraints as punishment or as a substitute for a habilitation program or in quantities that interfere with services, treatment, or habilitation for such persons.

"(v) Permission for close relatives of such persons to visit them at reasonable hours without prior notice.

"(vi) Compliance with adequate fire and safety standards as may be promulgated by the Secretary.

"(4) All programs for persons with developmental disabilities should meet standards which are designed to assure the most favorable possible outcome for those served, and—

Housing.

"(A) in the case of residential programs serving persons in need of comprehensive health-related, habilitative, or rehabilitative services, which are at least equivalent to those standards applicable to intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded promulgated in regulations of the Secretary on January 17, 1974 (39 Fed. Reg. pt. II), as appropriate when taking into account the size of the institutions and the service delivery arrangements of the facilities of the programs;

45 CFR 234, 248-250.

Housing.

"(B) in the case of other residential programs for persons with developmental disabilities, which assure that care is appropriate to the needs of the persons being served by such programs, assure that the persons admitted to facilities of such programs are persons whose needs can be met through services provided by such facilities, and assure that the facilities under such programs provide for the humane care of the residents of the facilities, are sanitary, and protect their rights; and

"(C) in the case of nonresidential programs, which assure the care provided by such programs is appropriate to the persons served by the programs.

The rights of persons with developmental disabilities described in findings made in this section are in addition to any constitutional or other rights otherwise afforded to all persons.

"PART B—FEDERAL ASSISTANCE FOR PLANNING AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

"PURPOSE

42 USC 6021.

"SEC. 121. The purpose of this part is to provide payments to States to plan for, and to conduct, activities which will increase and support the independence, productivity, and integration into the community of persons with developmental disabilities.

"STATE PLANS

42 USC 6022.

"SEC. 122. (a) Any State desiring to take advantage of this part must have a State plan submitted to and approved by the Secretary under this section.

"(b) In order to be approved by the Secretary under this section, a State plan for the provision of services for persons with developmental disabilities must meet the following requirements:

"(1)(A) The plan must provide for the establishment of a State Planning Council, in accordance with section 124, for the assignment to the Council of personnel in such numbers and with such qualifications as the Secretary determines to be adequate to enable the Council to carry out its duties under this title, and for the identification of the personnel so assigned. Post, p. 2675.

"(B) The plan must designate the State agency or agencies which shall administer or supervise the administration of the State plan and, if there is more than one such agency, the portion of such plan which each will administer (or the portion the administration of which each will supervise).

"(C) The plan must provide that each State agency designated under subparagraph (B) will keep such records and afford such access thereto as the Secretary or the State Planning Council finds necessary.

"(D) The plan must provide for such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures as may be necessary to assure the proper disbursement of and accounting for funds paid to the State under this part.

"(2) The plan must—

"(A) set out the specific objectives to be achieved under the plan and a listing of the programs and resources to be used to meet such objectives;

"(B) set forth the non-Federal share that will be required in carrying out each such objective and program;

"(C) describe (and provide for the review annually and revision of the description not less often than once every three years) (i) the extent and scope of services being provided, or to be provided, to persons with developmental disabilities under such other State plans for federally assisted State programs as the State conducts relating to education for the handicapped, vocational rehabilitation, public assistance, medical assistance, social services, maternal and child health, crippled children's services, and comprehensive health and mental health, and under such other plans as the Secretary may specify, and (ii) how funds allotted to the State in accordance with section 125 will be used to complement and augment rather than duplicate or replace services for persons with developmental disabilities who are eligible for Federal assistance under such other State programs; Post, p. 2676.

"(D) for each fiscal year, assess and describe the extent and scope of the priority services being or to be provided under the plan in the fiscal year; and

"(E) establish a method for the periodic evaluation of the plan's effectiveness in meeting the objectives described in subparagraph (A).

"(3) The plan must contain or be supported by assurances satisfactory to the Secretary that—

"(A) the funds paid to the State under section 125 will be used to make a significant contribution toward strengthening services for persons with developmental disabilities through agencies in the various political subdivisions of the State;

"(B) part of such funds will be made available by the State to public or nonprofit private entities;

"(C) not more than 25 percent of such funds will be allocated to the agency or agencies designated under section 122(b)(1)(B) for the provision of services by such agency or agencies;

Post, p. 2676.

"(D) such funds paid to the State under section 125 will be used to supplement and to increase the level of funds that would otherwise be made available for the purposes for which Federal funds are provided and not to supplant such non-Federal funds; and

"(E) there will be reasonable State financial participation in the cost of carrying out the State plan.

"(4)(A) The plan must provide for the examination not less often than once every three years of the provision, and the need for the provision, in the State of the four priority services.

"(B) The plan must provide for the development, not later than the second year in which funds are provided under the plan after the date of the enactment of the Developmental Disabilities Act of 1984, and the timely review and revision of, a comprehensive statewide plan to plan, financially support, coordinate, and otherwise better address, on a statewide and comprehensive basis, unmet needs in the State for the provision of services for persons with developmental disabilities as follows:

"(i)(I) Except as provided in subclause (II), the plan shall provide for the provision of at least one but not more than two priority services.

"(II) In fiscal year 1987, the plan may provide for the provision of three priority services.

"(ii) For any fiscal year after fiscal year 1986 for which the total appropriations under section 130 are at least $50,250,000, the plan shall provide for the provision of employment related activities among the priority services to be provided under the plan.

Post, p. 2679.

"(iii) At the option of the State, the plan may provide for the provision of one or more additional services for persons with developmental disabilities from the services described in section 102(11)(A)(ii).

Ante, p. 2663.

"(C) Notwithstanding the requirements of subparagraph (B), upon the application of a State, the Secretary, pursuant to regulations which the Secretary shall prescribe, may permit the portion of the funds which must otherwise be expended under the State plan for service activities in a limited number of services to be expended for service activities in additional services if the Secretary determines that the expenditures of the State on service activities in the initially specified services has reasonably met the need for those services in the State in comparison to the extent to which the need for such additional services has been met in such State. Such additional areas shall, to the maximum extent feasible, be areas within the priority services.

Regulations.

"(D) The plan must be developed after consideration of the data collected by the State education agency under section 618(b)(3) of the Education of the Handicapped Act.

20 USC 1418.

"(E)(i) The plan must provide that not less than 65 percent of the amount available to the State under section 125 will be expended for service activities in the priority services.

Funds.

"(ii) The plan must provide that the remainder of the amount available to the State from allotments under section 125 (after making the expenditures required by clause (i) of this paragraph) shall be used for service activities for persons with developmental

disabilities, and the planning, coordination, and administration of, and the advocacy for, the provision of such services.

"(F) The plan must provide that special financial and technical assistance shall be given to agencies or entities providing services for persons with developmental disabilities who are residents of geographical areas designated as urban or rural poverty areas. Rural areas. Urban areas.

"(5)(A)(i) The plan must provide that services furnished, and the facilities in which they are furnished, under the plan for persons with developmental disabilities will be in accordance with standards prescribed by the Secretary in regulations.

"(ii) The plan must provide satisfactory assurances that buildings used in connection with the delivery of services assisted under the plan will meet standards adopted pursuant to the Act of August 12, 1968 (known as the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968). 42 USC 4152 note.

"(B) The plan must provide that services are provided in an individualized manner consistent with the requirements of section 123 (relating to habilitation plans). *Post*, p. 2674.

"(C) The plan must contain or be supported by assurances satisfactory to the Secretary that the human rights of all persons with developmental disabilities (especially those persons without familial protection) who are receiving treatment, services, or habilitation under programs assisted under this part will be protected consistent with section 110 (relating to rights of the developmentally disabled). *Ante*, p. 2669.

"(D) The plan must provide assurances that the State has undertaken affirmative steps to assure the participation in programs under this title of individuals generally representative of the population of the State, with particular attention to the participation of members of minority groups. Minorities.

"(E) The plan must provide assurances that the State will provide the State Planning Council with a copy of each annual survey report and plan of corrections for cited deficiencies prepared pursuant to section 1902(a)(31)(B) of the Social Security Act with respect to any intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded in such State within 30 days after the completion of each such report or plan. Report. 42 USC 1396a.

"(6)(A) The plan must provide for the maximum utilization of all available community resources including volunteers serving under the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 and other appropriate voluntary organizations, except that such volunteer services shall supplement, and shall not be in lieu of, services of paid employees. Volunteer services. 42 USC 4951 note.

"(B) The plan must provide for fair and equitable arrangements (as determined by the Secretary after consultation with the Secretary of Labor) to protect the interests of employees affected by actions under the plan to provide alternative community living arrangement services, including arrangements designed to preserve employee rights and benefits and to provide training and retraining of such employees where necessary and arrangements under which maximum efforts will be made to guarantee the employment of such employees.

"(7) The plan also must contain such additional information and assurances as the Secretary may find necessary to carry out the provisions and purposes of this part.

"(c) The Secretary shall approve any State plan and any modification thereof which complies with the provisions of subsection (b). The Secretary shall not finally disapprove a State plan except after reasonable notice and opportunity for a hearing to the State.

"(d)(1) At the request of any State, a portion of any allotment or allotments of such State under this part for any fiscal year shall be

available to pay one-half (or such smaller share as the State may request) of the expenditures found necessary by the Secretary for the proper and efficient administration of the State plan approved under this section; except that not more than 5 per centum of the total of the allotments of such State for any fiscal year, or $50,000, whichever is less, shall be available for the total expenditures for such purpose by all of the State agencies designated under subsection (b)(1)(B) for the administration or supervision of the administration of the State plan. Payments under this paragraph may be made in advance or by way of reimbursement, and in such installments, as the Secretary may determine.

"(2) Any amount paid under paragraph (1) to any State for any fiscal year shall be paid on condition that there shall be expended from the State sources for such year for administration of the State plan approved under this section not less than the total amount expended for such purposes from such sources during the previous fiscal year.

"HABILITATION PLANS

42 USC 6023.

"SEC. 123. (a) The Secretary shall require as a condition to a State's receiving an allotment under this part that the State provide the Secretary satisfactory assurances that each program (including programs of any agency, facility, or project) which receives funds from the State's allotment under this part (1) has in effect for each developmentally disabled person who receives services from or under the program a habilitation plan meeting the requirements of subsection (b), and (2) provides for an annual review, in accordance with subsection (c), of each such plan.

"(b) A habilitation plan for a person with developmental disabilities shall meet the following requirements:

"(1) The plan shall be in writing.

"(2) The plan shall be developed jointly by (A) a representative or representatives of the program primarily responsible for delivering or coordinating the delivery of services to the person for whom the plan is established, (B) such person, and (C) where appropriate, such person's parents or guardian or other representative.

"(3) The plan shall contain a statement of the long-term habilitation goals for the person and the intermediate habilitation objectives relating to the attainments of such goals. Such goals should include the increase or support of independence, productivity, and integration into the community for the person. Such objectives shall be stated specifically and in sequence and shall be expressed in behavioral or other terms that provide measurable indices of progress. The plan shall (A) describe how the objectives will be achieved and the barriers that might interfere with the achievement of them, (B) state an objective criteria and an evaluation procedure and schedule for determining whether such objectives and goals are being achieved, and (C) provide for a program coordinator who will be responsible for the implementation of the plan.

"(4) The plan shall contain a statement (in readily understandable form) of specific habilitation services to be provided, shall identify each agency which will deliver such services, shall describe the personnel (and their qualifications) necessary for the provision of such services, and shall specify the date of the

initiation of each service to be provided and the anticipated duration of each such service.

"(5) The plan shall specify the role and objectives of all parties to the implementation of the plan.

"(c) Each habilitation plan shall be reviewed at least annually by the agency primarily responsible for the delivery of services to the person for whom the plan was established or responsible for the coordination of the delivery of services to such person. In the course of the review, such person and the person's parents or guardian or other representative shall be given an opportunity to review such plan and to participate in its revision.

"STATE PLANNING COUNCILS

"SEC. 124. (a)(1) Each State which receives assistance under this part shall establish a State Planning Council which will serve as an advocate for persons with developmental disabilities. The members of the State Planning Council of a State shall be appointed by the Governor of the State from among the residents of that State. The Governor of each State shall make appropriate provisions for the rotation of membership on the Council of that State. Each State Planning Council shall at all times include in its membership representatives of the principal State agencies (including the State agency that administers funds provided under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the State agency that administers funds provided under the Education of the Handicapped Act, and the State agency that administers funds provided under title XIX of the Social Security Act for persons with developmental disabilities), higher education training facilities, each university affiliated facility or satellite center in the State, the State protection and advocacy system established under section 142, local agencies, and nongovernmental agencies and private nonprofit groups concerned with services to persons with developmental disabilities in that State. Establishment. 42 USC 6024. 29 USC 701 note. 20 USC 871. 42 USC 1396. *Post*, p. 2679.

"(2) At least one-half of the membership of each such Council shall consist of persons who—

"(A) are persons with developmental disabilities or parents or guardians of such persons, or

"(B) are immediate relatives or guardians of persons with mentally impairing developmental disabilities,

who are not employees of a State agency which receives funds or provides services under this part, who are not managing employees (as defined in section 1126(b) of the Social Security Act) of any other entity which receives funds or provides services under this part, and who are not persons with an ownership or control interest (within the meaning of section 1124(a)(3) of the Social Security Act) with respect to such an entity. 42 USC 1320a-5. 42 USC 1320a-3.

"(3) Of the members of the Council described in paragraph (2)—

"(A) at least one-third shall be persons with developmental disabilities, and

"(B)(i) at least one-third shall be individuals described in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2), and (ii) at least one of such individuals shall be an immediate relative or guardian of an institutionalized person with a developmental disability.

"(b) Each State Planning Council shall—

"(1) develop jointly with the State agency or agencies designated under section 122(b)(1)(B) the State plan required by this *Ante*, p. 2670.

part, including the specification of services under section 122(b)(4)(B);

Ante, p. 2670.

"(2) monitor, review, and evaluate, not less often than annually, the implementation of such State plan;

"(3) to the maximum extent feasible, review and comment on all State plans in the State which relate to programs affecting persons with developmental disabilities; and

Reports.

"(4) submit to the Secretary, through the Governor, such periodic reports on its activities as the Secretary may reasonably request, and keep such records and afford such access thereto as the Secretary finds necessary to verify such reports.

"STATE ALLOTMENTS

42 USC 6025.

"SEC. 125. (a)(1) For each fiscal year, the Secretary shall, in accordance with regulations and this paragraph, allot the sums appropriated for such year under section 130 among the States on the basis of—

Post, p. 2679.

"(A) the population,

"(B) the extent of need for services for persons with developmental disabilities, and

"(C) the financial need,

of the respective States. Sums allotted to the States under this section shall be used in accordance with approved State plans under section 122 for the provision under such plans of services for persons with developmental disabilities.

"(2) Adjustments in the amounts of State allotments based on subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of paragraph (1) may be made not more often than annually. The Secretary shall notify States of any adjustment made not less than six months before the beginning of the fiscal year in which such adjustment is to take effect.

"(3)(A) Except as provided in paragraph (4), for any fiscal year the allotment under paragraph (1)—

"(i) to each of American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands may not be less than $100,000, and

"(ii) to any other State may not be less than the greater of $250,000, or the amount of the allotment (determined without regard to subsection (d)) received by the State for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984.

"(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), if the aggregate of the amounts to be allotted to each State pursuant to subparagraph (A) in any fiscal year exceeds the total amount appropriated under section 130 for such fiscal year, the amount to be allotted to a State for such fiscal year shall be an amount which bears the same ratio to the amount which is to be allotted to the State pursuant to such subparagraph as the total amount appropriated under section 130 for such fiscal year bears to the total of the amount required to be appropriated under such section for allotments to provide each State with the allotment required by such subparagraph.

"(4) In any case in which amounts appropriated under section 130 for a fiscal year exceed $47,000,000, the allotment under paragraph (1) for such fiscal year—

"(A) to each of American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, or the

Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands may not be less than $160,000; and

"(B) to each of the several States, Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia, may not be less than $8[illegible]00.

"(5) In determining, for purposes of paragraph (1)(B), the extent of need in any State for services for persons with developmental disabilities, the Secretary shall take into account the scope and extent of the services described, pursuant to section 122(b)(2)(C), in the State plan of the State. *Ante*, p. 2670.

"(b) Whenever the State plan approved in accordance with section 122 provides for participation of more than one State agency in administering or supervising the administration of designated portions of the State plan, the State may apportion its allotment among such agencies in a manner which, to the satisfaction of the Secretary, is reasonably related to the responsibilities assigned to such agencies in carrying out the purposes of the State plan. Funds so apportioned to State agencies may be combined with other State or Federal funds authorized to be spent for other purposes, provided the purposes of the State plan will receive proportionate benefit from the combination.

"(c) Whenever the State plan approved in accordance with section 122 provides for cooperative or joint effort between States or between or among agencies, public or private, in more than one State, portions of funds allotted to one or more such cooperating States may be combined in accordance with the agreements between the agencies involved.

"(d) The amount of an allotment to a State for a fiscal year which the Secretary determines will not be required by the State during the period for which it is available for the purpose for which allotted shall be available for reallotment by the Secretary from time to time, on such date or dates as the Secretary may fix (but not earlier than thirty days after the Secretary has published notice of the intention of the Secretary to make such reallotment in the Federal Register), to other States with respect to which such a determination has not been made, in proportion to the original allotments of such States for such fiscal year, but with such proportionate amount for any of such other States being reduced to the extent it exceeds the sum the Secretary estimates such State needs and will be able to use during such period; and the total of such reductions shall be similarly reallotted among the States whose proportionate amounts were not so reduced. Any amount so reallotted to a State for a fiscal year shall be deemed to be a part of its allotment under subsection (a) for such fiscal year.

"PAYMENTS TO THE STATES FOR PLANNING, ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICES

"SEC. 126. From each State's allotments for a fiscal year under section 125, the State shall be paid the Federal share of the expenditures, other than expenditures for construction, incurred during such year under its State plan approved under this part. Such payments shall be made from time to time in advance on the basis of estimates by the Secretary of the sums the State will expend under the State plan, except that such adjustments as may be necessary shall be made on account of previously made underpayments or overpayments under this section. 42 USC 6026. *Ante*, p. 2676.

"WITHHOLDING OF PAYMENTS FOR PLANNING, ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICES

42 USC 6027.

"SEC. 127. Whenever the Secretary, after reasonable notice and opportunity for hearing to the State Planning Council and the appropriate State agency designated pursuant to section 122(b)(1) finds that—

"(1) there is a failure to comply substantially with any of the provisions required by section 122 to be included in the State plan; or

Ante, p. 2670.

"(2) there is a failure to comply substantially with any regulations of the Secretary which are applicable to this part,

the Secretary shall notify such State Council and agency or agencies that further payments will not be made to the State under section 125 (or, in the discretion of the Secretary, that further payments will not be made to the State under section 125 for activities in which there is such failure), until the Secretary is satisfied that there will no longer be such failure. Until the Secretary is so satisfied, the Secretary shall make no further payment to the State under section 125, or shall limit further payment under section 125 to such State to activities in which there is no such failure.

Ante, p. 2676.

"NONDUPLICATION

42 USC 6028.

"SEC. 128. In determining the amount of any State's Federal share of the expenditures incurred by it under a State plan approved under section 122, there shall be disregarded (1) any portion of such expenditures which are financed by Federal funds provided under any provision of law other than section 125, and (2) the amount of any non-Federal funds required to be expended as a condition of receipt of such Federal funds.

"APPEALS BY STATES

42 USC 6029.

"SEC. 129. If any State is dissatisfied with the Secretary's action under section 122(c) or section 127, such State may appeal to the United States court of appeals for the circuit in which such State is located, by filing a petition with such court within sixty days after such action. A copy of the petition shall be forthwith transmitted by the clerk of the court to the Secretary, or any officer designated by the Secretary for that purpose. The Secretary thereupon shall file in the court the record of the proceedings on which the Secretary based the action, as provided in section 2112 of title 28, United States Code. Upon the filing of such petition, the court shall have jurisdiction to affirm the action of the Secretary or to set it aside, in whole or in part, temporarily or permanently, but until the filing of the record, the Secretary may modify or set aside the order of the Secretary. The findings of the Secretary as to the facts, if supported by substantial evidence, shall be conclusive, but the court, for good cause shown, may remand the case to the Secretary to take further evidence, and the Secretary may thereupon make new or modified findings of the fact and may modify the previous action of the Secretary, and shall file in the court the record of the further proceedings. Such new or modified findings of fact shall likewise be conclusive if supported by substantial evidence. The judgment of the court affirming or setting aside, in whole or in part, any action of the Secretary shall be final, subject to review by the Supreme Court of the United States upon certiorari or certification as provided in

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section 1254 of title 28, United States Code. The commencement of proceedings under this section shall not, unless so specifically ordered by the court, operate as a stay of the Secretary's action.

"AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

"SEC. 130. For allotments under section 125, there are authorized to be appropriated $50,250,000 for fiscal year 1985, $53,400,000 for fiscal year 1986, and $56,500,000 for fiscal year 1987. 42 USC 6030. *Ante*, p. 2676.

"PART C—PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY OF INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS

"PURPOSE

"SEC. 141. It is the purpose of this part to provide for allotments to support a system in each State to protect the legal and human rights of persons with developmental disabilities in accordance with section 142. 42 USC 6041.

"SYSTEM REQUIRED

"SEC. 142. (a) In order for a State to receive an allotment under part B— 42 USC 6042.

"(1) the State must have in effect a system to protect and advocate the rights of persons with developmental disabilities;

"(2) such system must—

"(A) have the authority to pursue legal, administrative, and other appropriate remedies to ensure the protection of the rights of such persons who are receiving treatment, services, or habilitation within the State and to provide information on and referral to programs and services addressing the needs of persons with developmental disabilities;

"(B) not be administered by the State Planning Council;

"(C) be independent of any agency which provides treatment, services, or habilitation to persons with developmental disabilities; and

"(D) except as provided in subsection (b), be able to obtain access to the records of a person with developmental disabilities who resides in a facility for persons with developmental disabilities if—

"(i) a complaint has been received by the system from or on behalf of such person; and

"(ii) such person does not have a legal guardian or the State or the designee of the State is the legal guardian of such person;

"(3) the State must provide assurances to the Secretary that funds allotted to the State under this section will be used to supplement and increase the level of funds that would otherwise be made available for the purposes for which Federal funds are provided and not to supplant such non-Federal funds;

"(4) the State must provide assurances to the Secretary that such system will be provided with a copy of each annual survey report and plan of corrections for cited deficiencies made pursuant to section 1902(a)(31)(B) of the Social Security Act with respect to any intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded in the State within 30 days after the completion of each such report or plan; and Report. 42 USC 1396a.

"(5) the State must provide assurances satisfactory to the Secretary that the agency implementing the system will not be redesignated unless there is good cause for the redesignation and unless notice has been given of the intention to make such redesignation to persons with developmental disabilities or their representatives.

"(b) Prior to October 1, 1986, the provisions of paragraph (2)(D) of subsection (a) shall not apply to any State in which the laws of the State prohibit the system required under such subsection from obtaining access to the records of a person with developmental disabilities under the conditions described in such paragraph.

"(c)(1) To assist States in meeting the requirements of subsection (a), the Secretary shall allot to the States the amounts appropriated under section 143. Allotments and reallotments of such sums shall be made on the same basis as the allotments and reallotments are made under the first sentence of subsection (a)(1) and subsection (d) of section 125, except that in any case in which—

Infra.

Ante, p. 2676.

"(A) the total amount appropriated under section 143 for a fiscal year is at least $11,000,000—

"(i) the allotment of each of American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands for such fiscal year shall not be less than $80,000; and

"(ii) the allotment to each of the several States, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia for such fiscal year shall not be less than $150,000; or

"(B) the total amount appropriated under section 143 for a fiscal year is less than $11,000,000, the allotment to each State (other than Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, the Virgin Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands) shall not be less than $50,000.

Prohibition.

"(2) A State may use not more than 5 percent of any allotment under this subsection for the costs of monitoring the administration of the system required under subsection (a).

"(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), if the aggregate of the amounts of the allotments to be made in accordance with such paragraph for any fiscal year exceeds the total of the amounts appropriated for such allotments under section 143, the amount of a State's allotment for such fiscal year shall bear the same ratio to the amount otherwise determined under such paragraph as the total of the amounts appropriated for that year under section 143 bears to the aggregate amount required to make an allotment to each of the States in accordance with paragraph (1).

"AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

42 USC 6043.
Ante, p. 2679.

"SEC. 143. For allotments under section 142, there are authorized to be appropriated $12,750,000 for fiscal year 1985, $14,600,000 for fiscal year 1986, and $15,500,000 for fiscal year 1987. The provisions of section 1913 of title 18, United States Code, shall be applicable to all moneys authorized under the provisions of this section.

"PART D—UNIVERSITY AFFILIATED FACILITIES

"PURPOSE

"SEC. 151. The purpose of this part is to provide for grants to university affiliated facilities to assist in the provision of interdisciplinary training, the conduct of service demonstration programs, and the dissemination of information which will increase and support the independence, productivity, and integration into the community of persons with developmental disabilities. Grants. 42 USC 6061.

"GRANT AUTHORITY

"SEC. 152. (a) From appropriations under section 154, the Secretary shall make grants to university affiliated facilities to assist in the administration and operation of the activities described in section 102(13). 42 USC 6062. Post, p. 2683. Ante, p. 2663.

"(b) The Secretary may make one or more grants to a university affiliated facility receiving a grant under subsection (a) to support one or more of the following activities:

"(1) Conducting—

"(A) a study of the feasibility of establishing a university affiliated facility or a satellite center in an area not served by a university affiliated facility, including an assessment of the needs of the area for such a facility or center; or

"(B) a study of the ways in which such university affiliated facility, singly or jointly with other university affiliated facilities which have received a grant under subsection (a), can assist in establishing one or more satellite centers which would be located in areas not served by a university affiliated facility.

A study under subparagraph (A) or subparagraph (B) shall be carried out in consultation with the State Planning Council for the State in which the university affiliated facility conducting the study is located and the State Planning Council for the State in which the university affiliated facility or satellite center would be established.

"(2) Provision of service-related training to parents of persons with developmental disabilities, professionals, volunteers, or other personnel to enable such parents, professionals, volunteers, or personnel to provide services to increase or maintain the independence, productivity, and integration into the community of persons with developmental disabilities.

"(3) Conducting an applied research program designed to produce more efficient and effective methods (A) for the delivery of services to persons with developmental disabilities, and (B) for the training of professionals, paraprofessionals, and parents who provide these services. Research and development.

The amount of a grant under paragraph (1) may not exceed $25,000. Prohibition.

"(c) The Secretary may make grants to pay part of the costs of establishing satellite centers and may make grants to satellite centers to pay part of their administration and operation costs. A satellite center which receives a grant under this section may engage in the activities described in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of section 102(13).

"(d)(1) The Secretary may not make a grant under subsection (c) for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 1985, to a satellite center Prohibition.

which has not received a grant under such subsection or section 121(c) (as such section was in effect prior to October 1, 1984) unless—

Ante, p. 2670.

"(A) a study assisted under subsection (b)(1)(A) of this section has established the feasibility of establishing or operating such center, except that such study shall not be required to contain an assessment of the need for such center in the area in which such center will be located; or

"(B) a study assisted under section 121(b)(1) (as in effect prior to October 1, 1984) has established the feasibility of establishing or operating such center.

Prohibition.

"(2) The Secretary may not make a grant under subsection (a) or subsection (c) for a fiscal year beginning after September 30, 1985, to a university affiliated facility or a satellite center which has not received a grant under this section or section 121 (as such section was in effect prior to October 1, 1984) unless—

"(A) a study assisted under subsection (b)(1)(A) has been conducted with respect to such facility or center by a university affiliated facility; and

"(B) such study has established the feasibility of establishing or operating such facility or center.

"APPLICATIONS

42 USC 6063.

"SEC. 153. (a) Not later than six months after the date of the enactment of the Developmental Disabilities Act of 1984, the Secretary shall establish by regulation standards for university affiliated facilities. Such standards shall reflect the special needs of persons with developmental disabilities who are of various ages, and shall include performance standards relating to each of the activities described in section 102(13).

Ante, p. 2663.

Ante, p. 2681.

"(b) No grants may be made under section 152 unless an application therefor is submitted to, and approved by, the Secretary. Such an application shall be submitted in such form and manner, and contain such information, as the Secretary may require. Such an application shall be approved by the Secretary only if the application contains or is supported by reasonable assurances that—

"(1) the making of the grant will (A) not result in any decrease in the use of State, local, and other non-Federal funds for services for persons with developmental disabilities and for training of persons to provide such services, which funds would (except for such grant) be made available to the applicant, and (B) be used to supplement and, to the extent practicable, increase the level of such funds;

"(2)(A) the applicant's facility is in full compliance with the standards established under subsection (a), or

"(B)(i) the applicant is making substantial progress toward bringing the facility into compliance with such standards, and (ii) the facility will, not later than three years after the date of approval of the initial application or the date standards are promulgated under subsection (a), whichever is later, fully comply with such standards; and

Human rights.

"(3) the human rights of all persons with developmental disabilities (especially those persons without familial protection) who are receiving treatment, services, or habilitation under programs assisted under this part will be protected consistent with section 110 (relating to rights of the developmentally disabled).

"(c) The Secretary shall establish such a process for the review of applications for grants under section 152 as will ensure, to the maximum extent feasible, that each Federal agency that provides funds for the direct support of the applicant's facility reviews the application. *Ante*, p. 2681.

"(d)(1) If the total amount appropriated under section 154 for a fiscal year is at least $8,500,000, the amount of any grant under section 152(a) to a university affiliated facility shall not be less than $175,000 for such fiscal year and the amount of any grant under section 152(c) to a satellite center shall not be less than $75,000 for such fiscal year. *Infra.*

"(2) If the total amount appropriated under section 154 is less than $8,500,000, the amount of any grant under section 152(a) to a university affiliated facility shall not be less than $150,000 for such fiscal year and the amount of any grant under section 152(c) to a satellite center shall not be less than $75,000 for such fiscal year.

"AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

"SEC. 154. For the purpose of making grants under section 152, there are authorized to be appropriated $9,000,000 for fiscal year 1985, $9,600,000 for fiscal year 1986, and $10,100,000 for fiscal year 1987. 42 USC 6064.

"PART E—SPECIAL PROJECT GRANTS

"PURPOSE

"SEC. 161. The purpose of this part is to provide for grants for demonstration projects to increase and support the independence, productivity, and integration into the community of persons with developmental disabilities. 42 USC 6081.

"GRANT AUTHORITY

"SEC. 162. (a) The Secretary may make grants to public or nonprofit private entities for— 42 USC 6082.

"(1) demonstration projects—

"(A) which are conducted in more than one State,

"(B) which involve the participation of two or more Federal departments or agencies, or

"(C) which are otherwise of national significance,

and which hold promise of expanding or otherwise improving services to persons with developmental disabilities (especially those who are multihandicapped or disadvantaged, including Native Americans, Native Hawaiians, and other underserved groups); and

"(2) technical assistance and demonstration projects (including research, training, and evaluation in connection with such projects) which hold promise of expanding or otherwise improving protection and advocacy services relating to the State protection and advocacy system described in section 142. *Ante*, p. 2679.

Projects for the evaluation and assessment of the quality of services provided persons with developmental disabilities which meet the requirements of subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of paragraph (1) may be included as projects for which grants are authorized under such paragraph.

"(b) No grant may be made under subsection (a) unless an application therefor has been submitted to, and approved by, the Secretary. Prohibition.

Such application shall be in such form, submitted in such manner, and contain such information as the Secretary shall by regulation prescribe. The Secretary may not approve such an application unless each State in which the applicant's project will be conducted has a State plan approved under section 122, and unless the application provides assurances that the human rights of all persons with developmental disabilities (especially those persons without familial protection) who are receiving treatment, services, or habilitation under projects assisted under this part will be protected consistent with section 110 (relating to the rights of the developmentally disabled). The Secretary shall provide to the State Planning Council for each State in which an applicant's project will be conducted an opportunity to review the application for such project and to submit its comments on the application.

Human rights.

Ante, p. 2670.

Ante, p. 2669.

"(c) Payments under grants under subsection (a) may be made in advance or by way of reimbursement and at such intervals and on such conditions, as the Secretary finds necessary. The amount of any grant under subsection (a) shall be determined by the Secretary.

"AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

42 USC 6083.

"SEC. 163. To carry out this part, there are authorized to be appropriated $2,700,000 for fiscal year 1985, $2,800,000 for fiscal year 1986, and $3,100,000 for fiscal year 1987.".

STUDY ON INTERMEDIATE CARE FACILITIES FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED

Report.

SEC. 3. (a) Within six months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall prepare and transmit to the Congress a report containing—

(1) recommendations for improving services for mentally retarded persons and persons with developmental disabilities provided under an approved State plan under title XIX of the Social Security Act so that the manner in which such services are provided will increase the independence, productivity, and integration into the community of mentally retarded persons and persons with developmental disabilities;

42 USC 1396.

(2) recommendations for services provided for mentally retarded persons and persons with developmental disabilities under waivers granted under section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act so that the manner in which such services are provided can be improved to increase the independence, productivity, and integration into the community of mentally retarded persons and persons with developmental disabilities; and

42 USC 1396n.

(3) comments by each of the officials specified in clauses (2) through (4) of subsection (b) on the recommendations included in the report pursuant to paragraph (1), including comments concerning the effect of such recommendations, if implemented, on programs carried out by such officials.

(b) The Secretary, in preparing the report required by subsection (a), shall consult with—

(1) the Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration of the Department of Health and Human Services (or the designee of the Administrator);

(2) the Commissioner of the Administration for Developmental Disabilities of the Department of Health and Human Services (or the designee of the Commissioner);

(3) the Chairman of the National Council on the Handicapped (or the designee of the Chairman); and

(4) the Assistant Secretary of Education for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (or the designee of the Assistant Secretary).

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